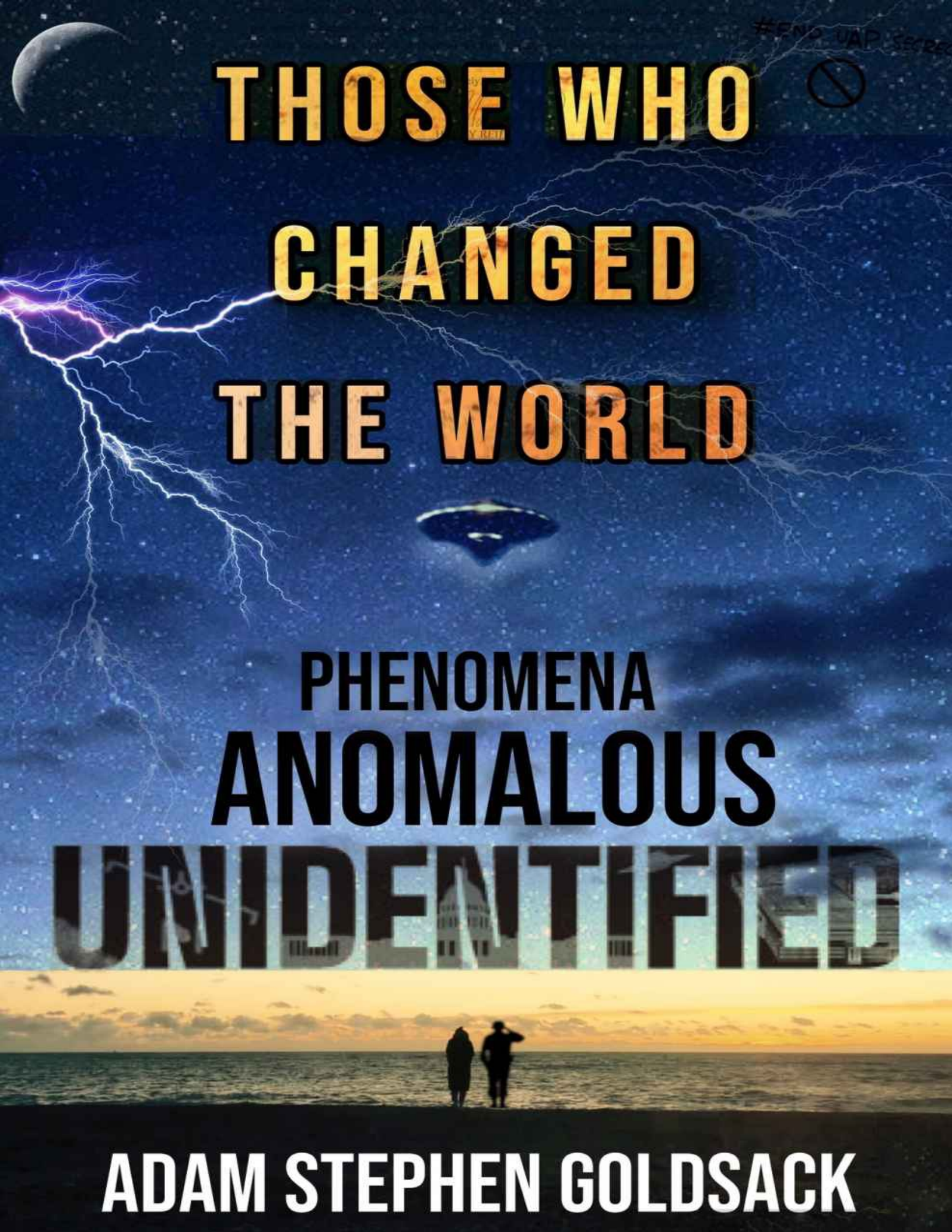
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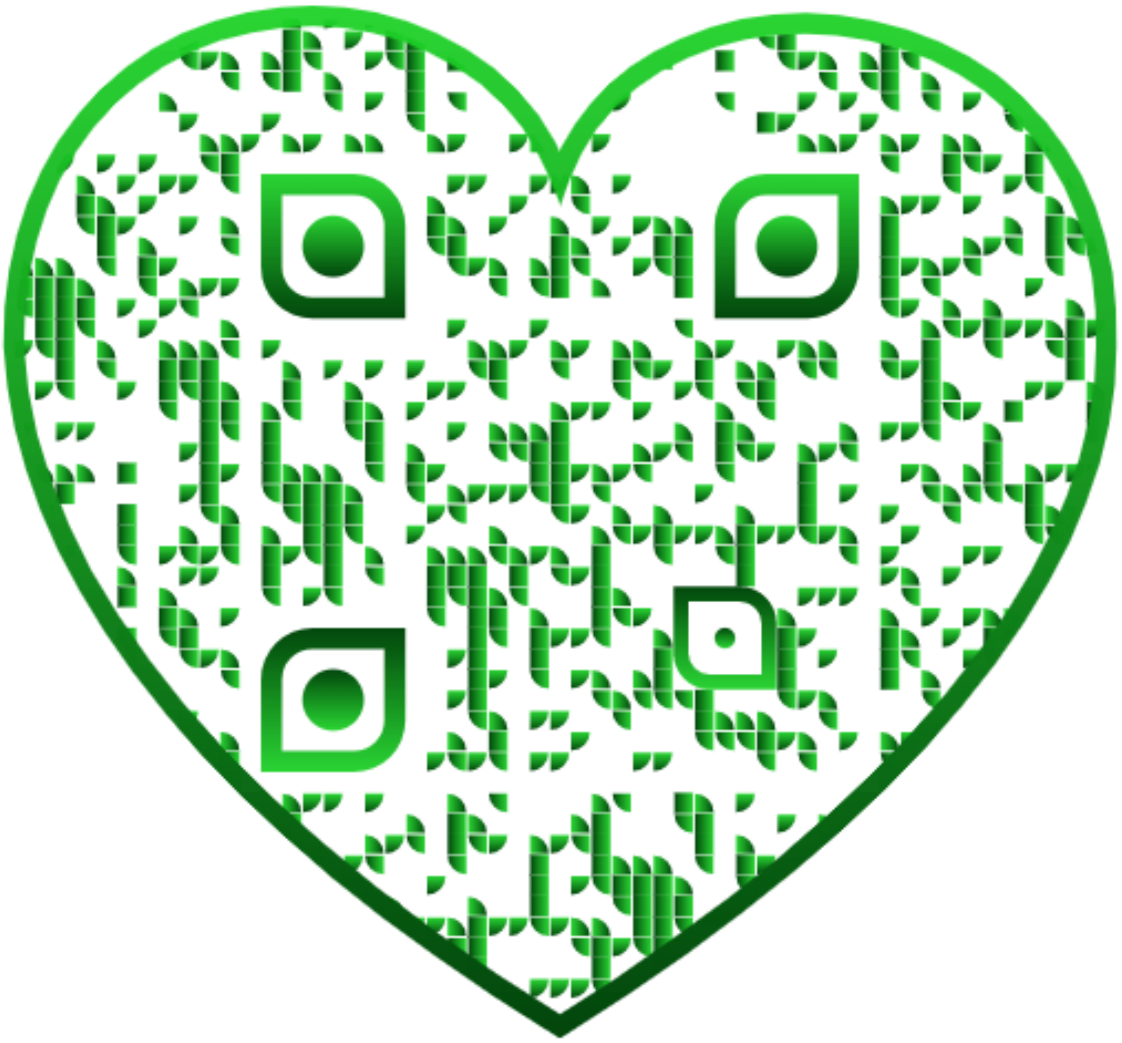

Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena

"Those who changed the world"

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‘Now this is the Law of the Jungle - as old and as true as the sky; And the Wolf that shall keep it may prosper, but the Wolf that shall break it must die’.

- Rudyard Kipling

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Foreword

Sean Cahill

For many writers, deadlines are a bane. Even someone writing a simple foreword with weeks of advance notice will still find themselves under a similar creative strain to that of the actual author. For myself it is a near guarantee that an eleventh hour serendipity will strike, causing me, as I am now, to abandon my nearly completed draft and start over. When this works, it leads to magical prose. Yet other times the page records an excited utterance that shines a bright light on the value of the abandoned draft. This time my serendipity was a heartfelt and emotional validation of my daughter as we walked to the car after watching Jordan Peele's 2022 UAP related horror film "Nope".

I watched incredulity dawn on her face during the movie as it became apparent that the stories she'd sat through, the work calls that she overhears or the zooms and interviews that she walks by each day were all manifesting in pop culture right before her eyes. On the way back to the car it dawned on her the noise that interrupted her binging Netflix was one small but important part of an ambitious orchestra to sing a unified, clear and true song. As a father, there is not much more you can ask for than the respect and esteem of your child earned with authenticity. I feel blessed for that and I want others to know that feeling.

In my opinion there are striking similarities to be gleaned from the fickle creative process and UAP Disclosure. To make a technical definition of UAP is to study a missing "Mcguffin" (a fictional plot device used in films to anchor a story but that are rarely valuable in themselves.) Technical definitions require physical and tangible evidence, often somehow missing from archives and inventories with an aloof populace accepting authoritative denial while funding a lucrative entertainment niche for those who survive on Disclosure never actually arriving.

For the eye-witness or so called "experiencer" it is a vastly different journey. The connections, conclusions and occasionally unfortunate beliefs that precipitate out of a personal UAP encounter ring like a bell of truth for the individual, but when they turn to society and loved ones for validation…

they are shunned. Only the strongest survive the desperate choice of confirmation bias inherent to the community or the poisonous route of contrarianism. Further, for those who do survive the initial cognitive fences and land mines, there are clear exits of outrage on the highway where a single detail or historical fact is uncovered that causes a frustrating side quest on a likely fruitless crusade.

The road almost invites you to quit the journey, and fast.

I must confess that my first thought each day upon waking is not of gratitude or love as I would hope when I pray each night. Rather it is the question; “Do I have to do this today again? Do I have to make choices that will likely weaken my family due to an absent partner and parent? Will I forsake my family duties to try and add another spoonful of hope and truth to a subject so mired in the mud that I can see the mummified remains of my predecessors around me? Will the day come that my spouse finally says we cant pay the bills with good intentions and integrity and sharing?”

Everyday I take those unwanted thought forms to my meditation cushion and remind myself why I continue. Because I know. Because other than the golden moments that we dismiss as the minutiae of life; I am happy. I sleep soundly, because I am loved, supported and most of all, I know. But it’s not a simple secret to be shared. If it was, it would be the entirety of my work to repeat that simple combination of sounds.

In my circles we often say that if the subject of Unidentified Phenomena were to be metaphorically treated as a court case with judge, jury, evidence and testimony by opposing expert witnesses that the preponderance of evidence would lead to a ruling of absolute validity for the subject. Once an average researcher reaches a certain information saturation level there is often a simple fork in the road presented; one that leads to a zeal to “prove” or an equal pull to “disprove”. For the dedicated and unbiased, the flavor is a little different. Once that saturation level is reached the phrase “It’s all academic now” rings like a bell across the life of that person. The phenomenon is as real as the air you breathe. The stories we’ve all shared with each other over countless millennia that have sprouted schools of faith, myths and legends have been studied for more than 75 years, over and over again on a global scale; and yet, we still don't believe our own lying eyes.

It is a fact that there is a non zero chance that we have already passed the threshold of disclosure. For the first time in history the idea of possible obscured truths and knowns are notionally being shared at increasingly

higher levels of leadership and also ever lessening levels of classification.

I believe what Adam Goldsack has masterfully laid out is what history will later view as a tenacious group of pragmatic traditionalists; realists with an eye toward the future, inclusive and transparent. Much of the core truth of UFOlogy is well documented, well established and frankly, well known. The details are mostly unobscured, the history easy to uncover. What everyone has waited for is declarative authority and change. For many of us who worked in government and military service, authority is something to always accept, but to also always be skeptical of. In this case, that skepticism must lead to additive change and not exist to perpetuate itself.

In my well informed and arguable opinion that authority first shined its light onto the modern stage when we met Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon in the context of this subject. Their titles and previous responsibilities preceded them in a way unlike any other before them. For myself and a multitude of other professionals, that was disclosure by declarative authority.

But the UFOlogy community will settle for nothing short of grand proclamations and the Barnum and Bailey-esque reveals that will surely follow.

What do the masses need? The non experiencers, or at least those who don't self acknowledge what they have seen? What will turn the key for them? In a way, everything above in perfect ratios. The public at large require not only declarative authority, but they need to see that this subject can be safe and healthy.

For that they will look to what we often call UFOology or the UFO community. They will try to discern the pretenders from the sincere, the angry from the hopeful, the healthy from the sick and they will choose who to stand with. No community is perfect, but I have seen the UFO community mature. I have seen a portion of the "Old Guard" evolve out of egoic needs and into the mentorship role that the "New Generation" needs. I've seen many put behind them the pettiness and instant gratification of contrarianism and open their hearts and minds to the idea that this is just a little more personal to each of us, and a little more complicated than just flying saucers and funny or scary little pilots.

I think we have a choice. I think we have a chance. I think if we make the right one we have a good one, if you catch my drift. I think that choice blossoms from within and will spread. I think that if we keep collectively pouring this strange and winding tale through accepted sieves of cutting edge

science coupled with an imaginative rationality that we will collectively find what we are looking for in the mirror. For in the end, the big reveal behind the phenomenon will be about uncovering humanity's true nature and identity and that reveal can only come from the inside. The personal challenges and changes I have endured, both in keeping with, and against my will, have been transformative in a way that continues to unfold in real time. I'm very lucky to be here and if not for the love and patience of my colleagues, I would not be.

It has been my distinct pleasure to work each day with Adam and other friends and mentioned throughout this very valuable book. I look forward to the day that we can all meet each other's gaze in person and share that moment of intensely human and primal need when the heart hears another say "I see you, You are real. I accept you, I love you, and I am proud." If you are reading this, I will extend that to you now.

WE did this. Together. First rounds on me!

- Sean Cahill,
United States Navy,
Chief Master-At-Arms (Retired).

Introduction

I grew up in a small industrial town on the Northeast Coast of England, a powerhouse of the Victorian industrial revolution known affectionately as the Infant Hercules. With its chemical skyline and once smoggy atmosphere, it was the Teesside industrial works that inspired Ridley Scott's opening sequence for the iconic 1982 film 'Blade Runner'. However, despite the early unsung influence of the Tees Valley upon the modern world and its imported steel industry, Middlesbrough was never Los Angeles or New York. We are not the centre of scientific invention, the oligarchs of culture or the epitome of a futuristic, progressively thinking world. We are a town with honest people, who live within a small community of hard-working folk, forged from the historical exportation of materials mined from the Eston Hills and transported out via the River Tees. Primarily, we do not have Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) here, and we certainly don't have UFO people. This stigmatised trait is akin to a wider trend of influence across the United Kingdom of Great Britain. The British government does not entertain the concept of anomalous aerial vehicles that are shaped like 'Flying Discs', 'Tic-Tacs', 'Pyramids', 'Cubes' or 'Black Triangles'. As you might imagine, this dismissive approach by the government makes things difficult for us wanting to study the topic seriously, particularly when you have a professional career to uphold. Writing, researching and being an Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) activist is incredibly difficult for numerous reasons.

Firstly, the psychological stigma ensures you never have a straight conversation with the public, they always have that look when you bring up the topic and you can almost feel their unspoken anxiety. Secondly, there are so few people in the world who have an interest in UAP activism, even within the Ufology circles that know something is going on. And then those who do take action to promote UFOs will fail to implement credible terminology when attempting to engage government agencies, politicians, academic institutions or media organisations.

Previous initiatives to task governments with taking the issue seriously often lead with *'our space-alien brothers are here and want to save*

humanity!', which is a major conversation killer and impingement to progression within official channels due to the psychological stigma. When people think of UFOs, they think of crazy people with tin foil hats. The truth is that most people who study this phenomenon are intelligent and want a rational conversation, and most have witnessed something they cannot explain, myself included. Nobody knows what these anomalous objects are. These extreme performance and mesmerising un-aerodynamic craft, which have been reported by Navy fighter pilots, caught on gun camera footage and radar at both high and low altitudes and within our oceans, are not unidentified but unidentifiable. This issue is buried in classification. Anyone who claims to know the answers should be treated with scepticism, and anyone who says these objects are definitively 'extra-terrestrials' or definitely 'Russian drones' for that matter, are well meaning, but misguided in their premature conclusions. The fact is, we don't know what they are and that is the absolute truth, despite what some conspiracies might have you believe.

So how did we go from UFOs being a fringe pseudo-science, relegated to tabloid pages and crazy conspiracies, to an important national security issue within the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the American Congress and Department of Defense (DoD)? It happened through a coordinated effort by a small group from within DoD, Defense contractors, Navy Pilots and servicemembers, informed politicians, journalists and then even UAP researchers and activists working to expose the anomalous phenomena to the mainstream. As unbelievable as it seems, we are living through a momentous time in history, a time when a small group of private citizens with credible links into Congressional oversight committees managed to pull off one of the greatest data heists in history. For the first time in seventy plus years (and since the first proposed emergence of the modern anomalous phenomena in 1942), the United States Government has been forced to acknowledge there is something unidentified it cannot explain. This has come to be known as the 'UAP Revolution' or the 'UAP Initiative', a far-reaching campaign that gained access to strategically declassified/unclassified UFO data from the Pentagon and went straight to the United States Congress to blow the whistle on a topic that had been left on the cutting room floor.

The result was that from 2017 onwards, the highest levels within the DoD were reluctantly forced to acknowledge and intervene upon the existence of UFOs after legislation was passed into law. In 2022, a UFO office was

created by oversight committees that would officially investigate the anomalous phenomena. Additionally, multiple UFO hearings occurred in Congress. The UAP effort itself required open transparency, principally to prevent further obfuscation from those (UAP-Obfuscators) trying to conserve the status quo from within DoD and eliminate official efforts to study the phenomena. The UAP initiative required mainstream media exposure and controlled public awareness to succeed. Otherwise, as with earlier UFO programs and initiatives, such as the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) and the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), the secrecy surrounding those efforts would be their downfall and any collected research buried into a black hole of classification.

The UAP Revolution itself started in 2017 and had a noticeably clear and purposeful message for the mainstream:

'*...something anomalous is here in our skies and our oceans operating with a technology we cannot replicate or understand with modern day applied physics…and what is more, we don't know its origin or intent*'.

This is the second book in the 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena' series. The first book in this series was a research effort that investigated the events of 2018 that followed the AATIP disclosures from The New York Times and the possible origins of the anomalous phenomena. This second book documents the pivotal years of activism efforts from 2017 to 2022. Here we move focus from research and the origin of UAP, and towards the creation of modern day UAP activism efforts within both civilian and government initiatives. This book details the people involved and their journey, their success, their failure, the threats to their livelihood and careers for simply telling an unbelievable truth which belongs to us all. This becomes the story of those patriots who worked the initiative. Never before has this happened, and never again will we see anything like this on the most important issue in history. This is the story of the people who fought to change the world.

- Adam Stephen Goldsack
MSc, BSc, Dip.

Chapter One: The Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena Revolution

One of the very first questions I asked myself in the October of 2017 was how we, as a society, understand the anomalous phenomena and its vast implications. The answer was far from simple. Here we have a confirmed radical technology that is so far advanced that it isn't understood by our military, that it is flying in and out of our oceans, dropping down from space, and that it is *invading* the most sensitive military airspace in the Western world. And yet, when the issue of unidentified objects is brought up in everyday life it is met with smirks and snide smiles as though this incredibly significant security breach isn't worth a second thought. Despite this, yes, there are *aliens* here on earth and within our oceans and within our skies. When we say alien, we don't necessarily mean big headed grey Hollywood creatures with black eyes and telekinesis - we mean it in the truest sense of the word *alien*. We mean that the Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) concept is completely alien to us in scope and practice. It is unknown, unusual and unidentifiable. Consequently, we would do well to develop terminology which defines the generalities of the UFOs without specifically assigning a pre-determined origin. Thus, from the start it is important to adopt 'anomalous' as a potential definition for non-human intelligence and technology. It is an extreme concept, but one we must consider like any other scientific avenue of theoretical thought and one which should not be influenced by stigma and predetermined ideas of what we think of the topic prior to investigation. We must apply the scientific process to this issue like anything else.

Since 2017, elements of the United States Government have acknowledged leaked videos (1) of unidentified objects that incurred within military airspace. The reports made to Congressional oversight committees by Navy Pilots seem to show a technology that is so radically extreme, so unbelievable in context, and one that we simply can't replicate. There are geometrically shaped objects that move without discernible means of propulsion and have been reported by the United States Navy, investigated in a task force report, acknowledged in Congressional hearings and studied by

the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). This is the true phenomena to which we have tried to address in this book series.

Additionally, given that this is all objectively factual, we might also argue that it is a phenomenon that we barely understand within the realms of advanced quantum physics or from within Einstein's general relativity. The technology might indeed be human, and it might be that Russia or China have leapfrogged the West, but Occam's Razor would suggest not - as unbelievable as that might seem. And although we don't know the exact true nature, origin, or intent of this technology, we do know that something is engaging the United States military with an incredible aspiration of unknown intent. This we call *anomalous* technology. Potentially, we as a species will come to know this as self-evident over the next few years as efforts continue to engage Congressional hearings and the truth is finally declassified.

Again, just to clarify and to set some ground rules: Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) are specifically indicative of something truly non-human. So, when we, in this volume and series use the term 'UAP', we are referring to something which is *alien* to us as human beings. That is not to say the anomalous phenomena are alien in the extra-terrestrial sense, only that they may be something else entirely that we in the early 21st century haven't even considered yet.

The United States Government from 2017-2022 used the term UAP as equating to Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena, this was done as a control measure. Possibly, this was also done in an attempt to hold back from inferring that UAP were anything non-human (conclusively at least). This is an important distinction to be aware of, particularly when we are discussing the UAP Initiative or UAP Revolution. Crudely in its most basic form, we are talking about an observed technology, the origin of which has yet to be determined openly. This radical technology is one which has been sought after by the envious eyes of defense contractors who are alleged to have hidden away the evidence we all desire. However we must be careful about speculating on what we cannot prove. As part of the UAP Initiative we must use evidence to back up what we claim and align ourselves with the scientific process.

The birth of the UAP Revolution began in 2017 and correlated to my own journey into UFOs as a beginner. Although personally, I've been aware of the 'UFO phenomenon' since 2013 thanks to the Citizen Hearing on Disclosure and the famous words of the late Canadian Minster of Defense,

Paul Hellyer:

"UFOs are as real as the aeroplanes overhead."

However, it wasn't until the October of 2017 that I became *active* in Ufology (the amateur study of UFOs) as a researcher and then later as an activist. Labelled the 'young guns' by Grant Cameron, we were spurred into action like Danny Silva and many others throughout 2018 thanks to what happened in the mainstream media. That year was by all accounts, the first full year of the UAP Revolution/UAP Initiative. Under the alias of '*Andreas Freeman Stahl'*, we wrote case reports, journal articles, blog posts and researched UFOs. At the same time, we were unofficially supporting the efforts of Tom Delonge, Dr. Harold Puthoff, Dr. Kit Green, Dr. Colm Kelleher, Dr. Eric Davis, Dr. Jaques Vallee, Dr. Garry Nolan, Jim Semivan, Christopher Mellon, Luis Elizondo and the others within To The Stars Academy (TTSA) and their efforts to bring 'disclosure' to the world through the American Congress.

Towards the end of the year 2018, we saw the demise of the flawed *UAPinfo* research group, and the beginning of '*The Unidentified'* website. Together as a team, we came to various conclusions in our efforts to uncover the truth about the anomalous phenomena. Our yearlong beginner's research into the phenomena resulted in one single conclusion – a severe lack of verifiable data was significantly impacting any theory of origin.

Extra-terrestrials, *Ultra-terrestrials*, *Inter-dimensional* and the *Multi-verse* (not the same as Inter-dimensional) were considered alongside the nexus of *Quantum Mechanics* and even human consciousness. We didn't include terrestrial possibilities as our primary focus was on considering the hypothetical ideology of the anomalous phenomena and their *conscious* behaviours. In summary, when we get asked about the best-fit conclusion of UAP origin, we say to people, '… *all of the above?'*

The UAP Revolution occurred because of two secret government UFO programs and their disclosures, acting as a catalyst for activism efforts and sparking a new era within research. The mainstream disclosure of both engaged political leaders and ensured the birth of the UAP mainstream initiative. A process had started and would forever change how the phenomena was perceived. Thanks to the covert lobbying efforts of a small group, the American Congress suddenly wanted to know what was going on

and once the data flowed to them it was a moment that changed everything.

The Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) investigated ‘Unidentified Aerial Phenomena’ and operated on various levels from 2007-2012 (and some say to this very day), parts of it remain classified. AATIP was headed by the former program director Luis Elizondo (2) (3). Elizondo was the person who came forward to The New York Times and had a meeting with Leslie Kean in October 2017, bringing with him videos, documents and verification of who he was. Elizondo would submit his resignation letter in protest of the issue not being taken seriously by elements within the Department of Defense (DoD). He risked everything to force the United States Government to take responsibility for the potential threat posed by these unknown vehicles and devices that were operating in sensitive military airspace. According to Elizondo and others, AATIP branched from the end of the larger program: the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP). Whereas AAWSAP was within the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and covered a wide range of unexplained phenomena and was born from an obscure location in Northern Utah, AATIP was within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defence Intelligence (OUSDI) and solely focused on anomalous military incursions. AATIP investigated cases from the East and West coast, and other locations spanning back to 2004. As it would turn out, AATIP was a covert Pentagon program that at some point in its lifespan was designated unclassified (or at least parts of it), thus (intentionally or not) allowing the public to acknowledge and absorb the fact that the American government had been investigating the anomalous phenomena.

As we will document in this book, many lies, and obfuscation attempts followed the AATIP story. In some cases, people within government have been accused of actively trying to hide the findings of AATIP and by extension the entire UAP issue itself. The result was an aggressively fought data-war which lasted over four years from 2017 to 2022, and eventually resulted in a DoD Inspector General investigation (4) (6) (7) and the ousting of a high-ranking individual. Without AATIP and Elizondo’s bravery, Congress and the world would still be in the dark about the anomalous phenomena. We owe him more than the world realises, and I only hope that one day it will come to light what he and others fought for. Luis Elizondo is a hero, a patriot and a man of integrity.

He is not the only one.

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SATURDAY

16th of December, 2017

"The day the world changed…."

The AATIP story began one cold, dark Saturday in December and changed the world forever. It was that late winter afternoon when two articles appeared across the front page of national newspapers in America and across social media. Those two articles from The New York Times (2) and POLITICO (3) hit the Internet with a force that shocked people and moved the needle from conspiratorial fringe to sceptical inquiry. UFOs were suddenly a serious issue.

The Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program had crash landed into reality and it would become the start of something that would significantly impact the rather strange world of Unidentified Flying Objects. It would also change my own life in the years ahead. Although it would be a long time before the world would know the full UAP story and its significance, it was the AATIP narrative that sparked the very beginning of the UAP Revolution. Essentially, it green-lighted the world to take the anomalous phenomena seriously and to at last engage the difficult conversation without the fear of ridicule and stigma.

That day in December, we had the confirmed acknowledgement of a Pentagon program from the spokespeople that represented the officials within the DoD. It wasn't an easy start, with hardly any answers and much more questions. But it was explosive and opened up the mainstream media, almost reaching President Trump in the process of the first ever '*UAP wave*'.

Was this actually a program that officially investigated '*Unidentified Flying Objects'* like one might see in all those black and white Hollywood movies from the 1950s? Was this a mistake or even a weird form of disinformation? How could we even be sure?

The confirmation that AATIP was a UAP/UFO program within the Pentagon came through the multiple sources of The New York Times and POLITICO. Specifically, confirmation came through the verification of late Senators Harry Reid (D-Nevada), Ted Stevens (R-Alaska) and Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii), who were confirmed to have created the program in

mainstream media articles written by Cooper, Blumenthal, Kean and Bender. Then there was Luis Elizondo, who was confirmed by DoD spokesperson Dana White to be the Director of AATIP and various other undisclosed DoD programs within OUSDI. Mr. Elizondo was vetted thoroughly by The New York Times journalists and the POLITICO investigative journalist Bryan Bender for months leading up to the publication of the articles. Prior to the articles release which exposed AATIP as a UAP program, there was little obfuscation or denials from the Pentagon at that time. Once the truth was out however, it would become a different monster entirely. Once the significance was realised by those in charge, they would take belated action – some have argued they waited until the then Secretary of Defense James Mattis stepped down in December 2018. Something would have to be done when the opportunity was right. You simply cannot have a former high ranking DoD program manager running around telling the world that anomalous technology was real - that UFOs are real.

In the first book of this UAP series, we argued the point that the Pentagon (particularly elements within the DoD, DIA and OUDSI *et al*) were potentially blindsided in a tactical move that saw them admit to the existence of a secret program which was semi-hidden from them. Arguably, they didn't know what they were admitting to. They certainly weren't expecting the Director and Senator who created AATIP to openly say they studied possible non-human/radical technology which defies current scientific understanding. Anyone from the outside looking in saw a mundane *aviation* program that mentioned nothing of anomalous phenomena (non-human technology or intelligence). Everything about AATIP, or the larger program AAWSAP, appeared to be in relation to potential future technologies, aka, technologies 40 years or so into the future. But as it will come to be shown in later chapters, these two programs were anything but mundane and did in fact study UAP, aka, UFOs.

Can we ask if the true nature of AATIP was shielded to enable an unclassified element to break free? We don't know this, and we can't prove this with verifiable evidence. All that we do know for sure is that AATIP began its unclassified public life on Saturday the 16th of December, 2017. As reported by The New York Times, the program investigated reports of unidentified flying objects, in secret, for years, according to some Department of Defense officials.

Initially, Pentagon spokesperson Thomas Crosson confirmed to The

New York Times in 2017 that the program was dissolved of funding in 2012 by DoD, due to '*higher priority issues that merited funding'* (2). POLITICO had similar investigation conclusions, with Pentagon spokesperson Dana White confirming AATIP '*existed and was run by Elizondo*,' (3) however, POLITICO journalist Bryan Bender went on to source an undisclosed, anonymous DoD employee who suggested there was seemingly nothing to AATIP besides paperwork. From the opening day we can see contradictions from within DoD on AATIP, a theme which would continue for years after.

This brings us to consider a few important possibilities, the first is that these statements were made by the Pentagon spokespersons and anonymous DoD officials in good faith, meaning they genuinely believed AATIP existed but was a program for investigating foreign (terrestrial) enemy craft and future human technologies - which as we mentioned was arguably what AATIP was designed to look like for anyone on the outside looking in. The second option was that the Pentagon spokespersons and DoD officials knew AATIP was UAP/UFO in nature, acknowledging only half-truths and in some cases intentionally downplaying the significance of UAP to dismiss the entire issue. But what is the truth?

Bryan Bender reported from anonymously sourced claims in the POLITICO article that AATIP wasn't worthy of tax-payer money (3). Apparently, there was nothing there to justify its existence according to his anonymous sources. As we have come to understand it, AATIP had funding alongside AAWSAP from 2007-2012. Then Luis Elizondo took over AATIP/AAWSAP and dissolved the AAWSAP part of the effort. He then took it from under the DIA and moved it into the OUSDI from 2013 onwards - after misappropriated funding was intentionally syphoned off into another separate and unrelated program.

Elizondo ran this new OUSDI version of AATIP, after AAWSAP finished, and it lasted through to at least 2017. Elizondo has since claimed that the UAP program continued past 2017 (4), although no specific details have been made available. It is thought that his deputy Jay Stratton ran the program after Elizondo resigned.

How do we make sense of the statement taken from the 2017 POLITICO article - referring to that of an individual within the DoD who apparently had direct involvement and knowledge of the program? These statements directly contradicted the AATIP Director, Lue Elizondo who claimed that they "*found a lot*". We can start to consider an early emerging

theme of significant (and what would come to be intentional) contradiction that was emerging in those early months and years on anything UAP and AATIP. The word obfuscation would become common knowledge.

What was the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program?

As far as we understand it in the UAP research and activism community, 'AATIP' was a Pentagon UAP program that evolved from another program (AAWSAP) and was taken from DIA to the OUSDI. Mr. Luis Elizondo was the director after he (and his deputy Jay Stratton) took over the program and rumour has it that it continued up until the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) was officially created in 2020. Some have said that prior to the UAPTF, the effort was the remainder of a post Elizondo AATIP which continued to investigate UFOs for the Pentagon. Additionally, AATIP should not be directly confused with the UAPTF of 2020 or the Congressional UAP office of 2022. It was, *and still is*, its own monster. Currently, it is accepted as the first Pentagon program to investigate 'UFOs' since the closure of the United States Airforce's (USAF) Project Bluebook in 1969 and its existence was acknowledged by the head of the OUSDI in a 2022 Congressional hearing on UFOs. However, it took much debate and scrutiny to reach this point. The question of AATIP's true nature was heavily debated by UAP analysts for over four years (and sadly still is by some of the more conspiracy minded people). The classification that surrounded the shadowy Pentagon program ensured that very little information saw the light of day - despite the unclassified nature of some of AATIP. Some analysts have theorised that the data AATIP produced on UAP has been 'misplaced' by certain interests after Elizondo went public in 2017. Although this is something which has never been officially verified.

We must also consider the ongoing Inspector General investigation into how the DoD have handled the UAP issue both historical and recently (5) (6) (7). Also, we must consider claims populated within the mainstream media of an active UAP disinformation campaign against the American people (8) (9) (10). Others have suggested that UAP data is classified and that is why the public has never seen any UAP case reports, but the truth is that we simply don't know for certain. Ultimately, the unclassified information about AATIP came through various sources such as Luis Elizondo (Director), Dr. Hal Puthoff (Lead Physicist), Dr. Eric Davis

(Physicist) and various anonymous sources who leaked information from 2017-2022.

Those Pentagon UFO Videos

There have been multiple leaked government videos of unidentified objects that have made their way into the mainstream via various sources since 2017. However, the three most significant videos are the ones which sparked the modern day UAP Initiative / UAP Revolution. It was the then director of AATIP (Luis Elizondo) who, whilst in office, took steps to have videos of UAP put through a process of becoming unclassified. On August 24th, 2017, the videos were cleared by the 'Pre-publication and security review'. They were not meant to be released to the public, so to circumvent this issue, Elizondo labelled the videos on the DD1910 form as 'UAV', 'Balloons' and other 'UAS' (UAV = Unidentified Aerial Vehicles and UAS = Unidentified Aerial Systems). As he clarified, he couldn't exactly label the form with 'UFOs' as it would be pulled down and looked at closely.

There are three main videos leaked by The New York Times (2017) and Washington Post (2018) which would be officially authenticated and eventually released by the Department of Defense in April 2020 (1). The videos were known as: 'GIMBAL', 'GOFAST' and 'FLIR1'. All of which went through the declassification process via something known as a DD1910 Form. Elizondo asserted that they originated as part of AATIP, which found evidence of anomalous technology that was thought to be briefed to high level officials prior to 2017. Again, something we can't verify, but is probably true.

Investigative journalist George Knapp (who broke the Area 51 story) would frequently speak with Senator Harry Reid, who co-created AATIP. Senator Reid provided a statement to Knapp about the AATIP and what it investigated (11).

"AATIP did find a lot of stuff……

……this wasn't just a one-off looking at the Nimitz incident. There were many incidents we looked at and we looked at them on a continuing basis."

- Senator Harry Reid, quoted by George Knapp, I-Team (2019).

As for the three alleged AATIP-UFO videos, there has been much

speculation as to their origin and what the implications would be. Some suggested that these were training videos that should never have been released to the public, others that they were part of an elaborate disinformation campaign. However, the simplest explanation is probably the most rational one – that these three videos are another example of anomalous technology and what Navy Pilots have briefed Congress on these past few years. However, that would be speculation, pushing a narrative we do not have answers for. We therefore must stick to the facts, and that which can be verified and appropriately sourced.

1). **GIMBAL** (labelled *Gimble* on the DD1910 form) is the most famous video and the one most people recognise. Arguably, the poster child of the UAP Revolution. It was leaked to The New York Times in 2017 by Christopher Mellon. It is the video that shows a blurry disc-like object and the Navy Pilots exclaiming '*...it's rotating.*' This video often gets confused with the 'Tic-Tac' from the USS Nimitz (2004) case. GIMBAL is from January 2015 and is part of the Roosevelt Incursions (2014/15), shot on gun camera by unknown Navy Pilots. The object is officially classified as 'Unidentified' by DoD. Later information would come forward about the additional 'fleet' of objects mentioned within the video by the pilots, which we will discuss later in this book.

2). **FLIR1** is the video that apparently shows the 'Tic-Tac' object and is part of the USS Nimitz Encounters. It was leaked to The New York Times in 2017 by Christopher Mellon. Captured by Navy Airman Chad Underwood in 2004, the video has no audio and shows the object moving rapidly to the left off screen. The object is officially classified as 'Unidentified' by DoD. Later information by pilots and military personnel would come forward after the 2017 leak to The New York Times.

3). **GOFAST** was a Navy Pilot video taken in January 2015 and is the third UAP video. It is classed as part of the Roosevelt incursion (2014/15) and was released in March 2018 by Christopher Mellon to the Washington Post as part of an article which argues for government accountability. The object is officially classified as 'Unidentified' by DoD and has no testified shape. It is thought to be moving quickly across the ocean.

All three obscure videos are short in length and filmed via forward looking

infrared (FLIR) cameras. The blurry videos do not give a good indication as to the shape of the objects, although UAP analysts maintain that there are much clearer high-definition versions of these videos and exist somewhere in the depths of the DoD. However, we have not been able to authenticate these claims directly, we can only assume tentatively that they exist. Regarding the videos, we have very limited holistic data some four years later in 2022. Considering all three, it is the 'FLIR1' video, as part of the Nimitz Encounters from 2004 that has the most supporting data. This additional data makes the FLIR1 and USS Nimitz case the more compelling, despite being the oldest case by far.

Applying Scepticism to the UFO videos

Writing for VICE, journalist Matthew Gault stated that these events are no different from any other UFO video (12). Gault goes on to reference a YouTube debunker who proposed 'earthly explanations' for the three videos. For example, according to the YouTube debunker; FLIR1 is probably a "*low resolution, out of focus, backlit plane*." The GIMBAL object/disc is also said to be a plane and is lit by the infrared flare of the engine and locked in place by a trick of the mounted camera that is viewing it. And then GOFAST is simply a balloon, which is tracked by a camera and given unnatural speed by an effect called parallax, making the balloon seem to be traveling quicker than it appears. Other conspiracy theorists have argued that the three 'unidentified' objects within the videos are Chinese or Russian drones and that there is an effort to falsely convince Congressional oversight committee members that UAP are 'alien-spacecraft'. Without the unfounded conspiracy, some have taken a more pragmatic approach to scepticism. Weinstein and Bania for example, have argued that it is unlikely that these objects in the videos are extra-terrestrial (13). However, they also discuss the difficulties with considering whether China or Russia have developed the level of technology that allowed for extreme speeds and manoeuvrability exhibited by the UAP in question.

Congressman Tim Burchett was quoted in the Guardian (14) in response to the claims of Russian/Chinese technology stating that it would be ridiculous to assume these were Russian or Chinese and that the U.S. would know if that was the case. Burchett goes on to say that if UAP were Russian or Chinese technology then they would own the United States. Luis Elizondo

(former director of AATIP) has also reiterated the claims he has made publicly to UAPMediaUK, stating that this technology is several generations ahead of what we consider next generation technology. Consequently, Ravi Kumar Kopparapu, (a scientist in planetary studies at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Centre) spoke on the record with Space.com and called for a more systematic collection of data with regard to UAP (15).

The problem with the Pentagon UFO videos is that they are devoid of substantial information. Meaning, that the little grey area which presents itself due to a lack of clarifying information allows both sceptics and believers to interject their own narratives. Believers attributing alien-spacecraft are no better than debunkers attributing drones and weather balloons. People have a psychological tendency to fill the void with subjective truths that make sense to them in their already established world view. The scientific process, however, works through objectivity and a lack of researcher bias, something not exactly abundant in the topic of UFOs on both sides of the argument. As we have advocated from 2017 onwards as a fundamental part of the UAP initiative, the issue of anomalous phenomena needs to transcend debate between ‘believers’ and ‘sceptics’ over the crude ideology of extra-terrestrials. Instead, this entire issue needs to be treated as a blank page based upon what is being reported to Congress by Navy Pilots. Simply put, we need more data. Much more data. A very difficult task given that we humans like to interject our own personal ideologies into that which we observe. The other problem we face is that the sky is classified.

What AATIP found and the second New York Times Article

What AATIP found whilst in DIA + OUSDI was classified, and still is classified to this very day. The small window into what AATIP found came through a second, very significant article in The New York Times and was released that cold weekend in December by Cooper, Kean and Blumenthal (16). The second article focused on the origin of the ‘FLIR1’ video, a genuine case report that involved Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena – a case which AATIP - and more specifically AAWSAP and its contractors would be considered to have officially investigated. This second mainstream article involved the direct testimony of two Navy Pilots by the names of Lt. Cmdr. David Fravor and Lt. James Slaight.

This case would come to be known as the USS Nimitz Encounter (2004) and was originally put forward by Christopher Mellon at the TTSA presentation in the October of 2017. The New York Times article was detailed, much more than any other article written in the Times about UFOs. Within, you will find some very compelling quotes from some very credible sources that would make even the elite socialist Stephen McKeown blush. Journalists Blumenthal, Cooper and Kean reported that objects appeared at 80'000 feet before dropping to sea level and stopping at around 20'000 feet. Then, it is reported that they would *disappear* from radar (16). The pilot who engaged the bizarre object, David Fravor, stated that a 40 foot long white 'Tic-Tac' vehicle was moving erratically above the ocean (and breaking whitewash). Seemingly, the UAP was moving over a submerged object in the ocean that was big enough to break waves. According to Fravor, the water looked as though it was frothy with foam, as if the ocean water itself was boiling (16). There have been many theories of what this might have been, including a docking craft, Whales, a crashed plane, a submarine and even a whirlpool. Again, no one knows for sure and when the pilots returned to that area, whatever it was below the surface of the ocean had vanished. As for the Tic-Tac UAP itself, the object mirrored Fravor in his fighter plane's movement to engage, before taking off like a '*bullet from a gun*' and disappeared over the horizon before turning up at the 'CAP' point. In 2019, I would speak to radar operator for the Princeton via social media who confirmed to me that multiple (Tic-Tacs) objects faded *over* the island of Guadalupe. You might argue a variation of debunking points, but ultimately, there are multiple sensory array data and witness testimony of these 'Tic-Tac' objects.

This is the most famous UAP/UFO sighting in history. As unbelievable as it seemed, flying 'Tic-Tac(s)' encountered over the West Coast of America in the November of 2004 displayed amazing 'instant-hypersonic-acceleration' technology that defied our understanding of physics. Additionally, the USS Nimitz incident contains one of the first officially released and confirmed 'UFO' videos by the Pentagon. What was known as the 'FLIR1' video footage, taken from an FA/18, was first leaked to a German company in 2007 and then to the website forum 'Above Top Secret' in that same year.

An article in Fighter Sweep by Paco Chierici (17) first enabled the world to see the details of the Nimitz case. This was the first time we see a credible military-based website discuss UAP technology and the extreme

abilities. Chierici refers to UAP as AAV (Advanced Anomalous Vehicles) and describes how the AAV were closely tracked on radar. These objects moved away at high speeds, hovered and completed sharp turns with accelerations faster than anything currently known (17).

The next mention of the 'Tic-Tac' incident would come two years later in the October of 2017 as Christopher Mellon (former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence in the Clinton and George W. Bush administrations + Staff Director of the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence), would stand on stage at the TTSA launch and declare that the USS Nimitz encounter was a very serious military case. TTSA gave the case worldwide attention and even interviewed David Fravor on camera. Mellon himself, would be influential in releasing the videos to the mainstream outlets (18).

Then, after another two months, in the December of 2017, TTSA and The New York Times would re-release the same 'FLIR1' video of the Tic-Tac that was originally leaked in 2007. As opposed to historical leaked releases of the 'Tic-Tac' Nimitz Encounter, this time the testimony of Cmdr. Dave Fravor and Lt. Cmdr. Jim Slaight would bring additional fidelity to the case. Over the next few years additional data would come forward with other crewmen and pilots. But initially, it was very basic data in 2017, but enough to get us started. A DoD contractor report would be released by George Knapp in 2018 about the event and specific details of what occurred (19).

This was just the beginning, the war for AATIP and what it produced had just begun and the USS Nimitz case changed everything.

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Conclusions

The AATIP disclosures started a very long and complex conversation about the potential for anomalous technology being something non-human. In the December of 2017, the USS Nimitz (2004) encounter was very limited with specific details and again led to speculation rather than verification. Today we have a lot better understanding of who was involved and the roles they played; however we still lack specific government acknowledgement of the case details. Other USS Nimitz pilots have since come forward alongside multiple crew members aboard the strike group vessels. Without this one case

and its association to AATIP (before that AAWSAP via BAASS), we might never have been able to make a meaningful dent on the secrecy. The USS Nimitz case would come to grow in the subconscious of the public sphere, pushed through podcasts and television networks, documentaries and books, changing the narrative slowly on UAP acceptance and awareness. The case was also aided significantly by Lue Elizondo and the acknowledged AATIP - which was confirmed as being a UAP program by Elizondo. Elizondo was himself acknowledged by both Senator Reid and the Pentagon as the director. Those in the Pentagon (UAP-Obfuscators), who didn't want the UAP conversation being in the public, were arguably blindsided by the tactics used to disclose. They unwittingly paid no attention to the little-known Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program until it was on the front page of The New York Times. This lack of awareness of the problematic UAP issue was an obstacle for some in the Pentagon. AATIP undoubtably upset these UAP-Obfuscators within the DoD, who unbeknown to us at the time, would start a process to walk back AATIP, Elizondo, the UAP videos and the mention of anything remotely 'anomalous.' They would need to reverse this over time, and they certainly tried to do this in 2019 (as we will later document in this book). Alleged threats were made against those in the intelligence community who aided the disclosures of the UFO videos, UAP and AATIP, including against Lue Elizondo himself. However, it would be too little too late, as the very existence of AATIP undermined the official Airforce conclusions from Project Bluebook and the Condon Report of 1969. Congressional oversight committees were being briefed in 2018 (and even before) and were finding out from program directors, Navy Pilots, DoD physicists and intelligence officials what exactly was occurring in our skies and oceans. Objects that shouldn't have been there. Objects the public have been told don't exist.

But somehow, they do.

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Chapter Two: The Pentagon UFO Programs

As the years rolled on, we learnt more about the Pentagon programs that studied 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena' (UAP). Data was leaked, testimony was given, and anonymous sources (UAP-Progressionists) from within the Department of Defense (DoD) ensured that a clearer picture was understood within the mainstream. It was always difficult for us to accept at the time, but the role of the FOIA researcher was important to the progression of UAP truth as it allowed an updated position from DoD on UAP. The problem, as we saw it, was that the DoD wasn't exactly being truthful about UAP or various aspects of their UAP program. Additionally, some FOIA researchers refused to question the DoD narrative they were being spoon-fed, despite significant contradictory data. As you might imagine, this caused immense frustration and a clash between those who supported the 'disclosure' organisation To The Stars Academy (TTSA), and those who believed that the entire UAP initiative was a disinformation campaign to discredit Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) - despite UFOs being non-credible at the time. When the Pentagon program was disclosed to the public in 2017, the gamesmanship from DoD was strangely off-beat, inconsistent, and far from their historically automated position. Almost as though there was no plan in place to combat the revelations. And it was about to get worse. In 2018, the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP) would be disclosed through back channels to the UAP community. It wouldn't receive the front-page headline like the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) had received some months earlier, but it would be an equally important part of the saga, and again, another program from DoD that studied the anomalous phenomena. Its director, Dr. James Lacatski, would in later years confirm AAWSAP's existence as a UAP program (1).

"The Advanced Aerospace Weapon System Applications Program (AAWSAP) ran for just over two years, including a three month no-cost-extension that concluded on December 21, 2010."

- Knapp, Lacatski and Kelleher, (2021)

As far as we could make out, AAWSAP was also a UAP program but more focused on the paranormal aspect behind the anomalous phenomena. AAWSAP was the big sister program of AATIP and held a contractor: Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS). Robert Bigelow's company had investigated a location in Northern Utah following the departure of the National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS). Both BAASS and NIDS were owned by Robert Bigelow, an important name in the field of UFOs. Without him, this wouldn't have happened as it did and AAWSAP wouldn't have become what it became.

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MONDAY

09th of April, 2018

'Interest.'

Early Spring in 2018 and those were the days and weeks after the AATIP revelations but just before the AAWSAP disclosure. Congress was interested because of AATIP and the Defense Intelligence Research Documents (DIRDs), but only in passing (at least that's how it appeared openly). In a way they were still in curious-sceptic-information-collection mode and if any briefings were occurring, we couldn't find any record of them in those months. We did however find - thanks to researchers such as Paul Scott Anderson, Keith Basterfiled and Roger Glassel – a small segment in the Congressional Record from April 2018 (2).

'4381. *A letter from the Chief, Congressional Relations Division, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a list of all products produced under the Advanced Aerospace Threat and identification Program contract for the Defense Intelligence Agency to publish; to the Committee on Armed Services'.*

- Congressional Record (2018).

April would prove to be a big month for the UAP initiative with various high-ranking officials showing some awareness of the UAP issue. In 2018, we still didn't have a good understanding of what was occurring publicly or

privately. We didn't know if this entire initiative was official *disclosure* or something else entirely. But things were happening, and this would be a sign of things to come. Slowly, government officials were becoming involved. It was happening, but mostly behind closed doors.

THURSDAY

12th of April, 2018
'More Interest.'

Momentum was building in the mainstream by Easter. The news outlet POLITICO's Space Panel (3) was engaged by notorious guests from Congress and science and technology representatives. Journalist Bryan Bender posed a question about AATIP to Congressional Representative Ami Bera (D-CA), President of The Coalition for Deep Space Exploration, Lynne Dittmar, and Representative Randy Hultgren. Bender asked if more should be done when considering the issue of UAP. This was the first time we see a member of Congress openly speak about the UAP issue seriously in the modern age (not counting Senator Harry Reid). This was only a few months after the POLITICO and The New York Times articles in 2017, and also a month following Christopher Mellon's article for the Washington Post in 2018 (4). It was further confirmation that UAP was a significant issue and more importantly, that the issue was on the radar of some incredibly well-connected individuals. The answer given by all, was *yes.* Yes more could be done on UAP. This was brave, and the very first time in the pre-2017 era we see Congressional representatives on the record being positive about the anomalous phenomena.

FRIDAY

13th of April, 2018
'Unlucky for some.'

It had now been almost a month since the 'GOFAST' video was released in the Washington Post (4). Depressingly, it was becoming more and more obvious that we weren't going to get any more '*needlessly blurry'* UFO/UAP videos anytime soon. The notion that we would have open access to DoD footage of actual UFOs died quickly within that first quarter of 2018.

It was depressing and certainly wasn't the big '*disclosure*' we all hoped it might be. Keep in mind, back in 2018 we were all still trying to figure out what exactly was going on. Our hypothetical position was that the Pentagon program AATIP was possibly part of an official government disclosure initiative to tell the world that extra-terrestrials were the occupants of UAP, but ultimately we just didn't know. All our best assumptions weren't exactly accurate in hindsight. The counter argument against a disclosure initiative, was that the AATIP revelations were part of some nefarious disinformation campaign - which didn't make much sense considering UAP or 'UFOs' were as non-credible as they had always been. Ultimately, the disinformation theory was an outlandish claim and didn't hold water when scrutinised.

Then as time progressed, it would be shown that the legislation and executive branches of government didn't know what was happening with UAP and more importantly, the higher executives of the Department of Defense were seemingly unaware that AATIP was a UAP program. Pushback would be rolled out in the form of limiting what data would be released to the public, no official details were provided on the USS Nimitz case from 2004 (FLIR1 video) and no additional data provided on the 'GIMBAL' or the 'GO FAST' object. We didn't have the names of the pilots or the battle group, or pretty much, *anything*. Why hadn't TTSA provided those details? Was it because they were using the data as strategy? Or was that data still classified? We had more questions than answers. And still we waited in our ignorance, hoping this was disclosure with a capitol 'D'. We would have accepted anything, maybe a new video or a new Elizondo figure to step forward. It didn't happen and so we started to consider all possibilities at that time with a sceptical mindset. From October 2017, the one thing I never questioned was Luis Elizondo himself. Maybe it was my academic background in Psychology or professional occupation to assess cognition that allowed me to evaluate that Elizondo was telling the truth.

MONDAY

30th of April, 2018

"Another UFO program?"

By late April, FOIA researchers reached out to Pentagon Spokesperson Major Audricia Harris to get further clarification on AATIP (5). She stated that the program ended in 2012 which was already known to

us thanks to The New York Times article by Cooper, Blumenthal and Kean (6). Also, Pentagon spokesperson Harris stated that the three 'UFO' videos were not released by the DoD in relation to AATIP (that was new information, and a whole other convoluted story which contradicted the statements of Luis Elizondo). And finally, it was stated that the aim of the program was to investigate '*far-term foreign advanced aerospace threats*', again, no mention of anything genuinely extra-terrestrial and no mention of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP) in a non-human sense.

A new UAP program?

Researcher Paul Dean made an intriguing claim in the later days of April of 2018 (7). He stated that he had been in contact with a senior DoD program leader back in March who had confirmed another program. Apparently, according to Dean's anonymous source, the true name of the overall program was the '*Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program'*. Investigative journalist George Knapp and his team also confirmed the program as genuine (8).

I found this interesting to say the least, although the lack of an officially named source causes problems whenever trying to verify such data. Having said that, the person in the '*senior Defense leadership role*' did have prior knowledge of AAWSAP's existence, a very niche and delicate piece of information that very few had knowledge or access to in early 2018. It did raise questions for me over the true sense of AAWSAP as a government program. The revelation also brought more uncertainty over AATIP's relationship and slightly muddied the waters - consider that in early 2018 we only knew about AATIP and its link to Luis Elizondo, he nor anybody else within The New York Times had even mentioned this sister program. Things didn't improve, it caused fractures within the new emerging research community over the true nature and roles of these programs. It seemed like researching came with some big egos and agendas that followed the narratives, '*my data is better than your data'* and ultimately '*my brand is all that matters'*.

Honestly, I was put off on investigating the newfound UAP program (AAWSAP), primarily because when it was revealed the focus was negatively attributed towards Elizondo and AATIP. Famously, George Knapp would joke at the time that *'dogs start barking at the caravans as they*

passed', which meant negativistic people shouted loud when they heard something they didn't like. The main cries were, '*the real name of AATIP wasn't AATIP'*, and '*why didn't Elizondo tell us*.' As it would turn out, AAWSAP were linked but not the same program, and Elizondo would later state that it wasn't for him to out a program he wasn't directly apart of. He would wait another four years before Lacatski, the director of AAWSAP, would also confirm his position at AATIP. Either way, the second UAP program got the same treatment as the first – criticism, denials and anger from debunkers and believers within Ufology. Career Ufologists and UFO-types had an axe to grind with all things UAP.

This, I found hard to take.

In my career of working across various professional disciplines, I've never come across anything like what I witnessed in this 'field' of Ufology, at least not to that extent. Researchers, various debunkers, Ufologists and mostly internet trolls, would treat any new information with such disdain that you might think their livelihoods depended on it. Well, in some cases, that was true. Ufology is nice little cash-cow money maker for some, with some of the high earning UFO-Gurus collecting a small fortune in revenue. Despite the UAP data causing problems and infighting, I had always said from the start that I appreciated the work of the FOIA researcher who gathered the information from government spokespeople. I won't pretend that we didn't wage war with various people, particularly those who had continually attacked the legitimacy of Luis Elizondo and AATIP for their own personal gain. Considering the mixed messages from the Pentagon at that time, our focus should have been on bringing them to account. But it wasn't unfortunately, it would be many years before the DoD and Pentagon would be held accountable.

THURSDAY

03rd of May, 2018

"Sisters of aerospace."

Within a few days, the AAWSAP revelations had not resolved any remaining confusion, in fact they had increased. Like AATIP, the new program's definition again was another highly sensitive issue for researchers to uncover and dig into. There was a lot of confusing and controversial statements made by the Pentagon which were happily gathered up and

regurgitated by career Ufologists with an agenda.
Was AAWSAP a possible sister program to AATIP, or was it born from it, or was AAWSAP the bigger program, or was it just a contract to AATIP? The answer was dependent on who you chose to believe. The truth has been that muddied in contradiction that it is almost impossible to know for certain (although I tend to believe Luis Elizondo's account – having led the program). The problem is that the various elements of the Pentagon and DoD weren't being accurate with information. For example, the National Security Agency (NSA) gave '*no records*' to John Greenewald of The Blackvault after he filed a request on the 02nd of May 2018 for all records on AAWSAP, and yet we have acknowledgment from other government sources that both programs existed.

The link between the two programs would provide further bewilderment from Pentagon spokesperson Major Harris, who stated to researchers in April of 2018 that AATIP and AAWSAP were the *same* program, but just a different name (9). Glassel would also get Pentagon spokesperson Major Harris to acknowledge AATIP's mandate was to access, '*far-term foreign advanced aerospace threats the United States'*, and that included '*anomalous'* events '*such as sightings of aerodynamic vehicles engaged in extreme manoeuvres, with unique phenomenology'*. Major Harris would also clarify to Glassel that AATIP was terminated in 2012 due to concerns over a lack of progress and the program's validity. And yet in direct contrast, the Director of the program, the Senator who created it and the head physicist were all saying that AATIP studied UAP, and it founded significant results.

Very important point here as Roger Glassel gets Pentagon spokesperson Maj. Harris to confirm that AATIP investigated *anomalous events* such as those reported by the navy with '*unique phenomenology*' (9). This is the first time we see this sort of acknowledgement from the Pentagon and would be one of the very few occasions they did so. As a rule, in those early years 2017-2019, the Pentagon made it their policy to downplay and dismiss anything that was UAP or AATIP related. Not to be deterred, FOIA researchers again were stonewalled with AATIP and AAWSAP. Not everyone in the DoD was playing ball and they hadn't even started to fully pushback yet.

FRIDAY

May the Fourth, 2018.
'Skinwalker.'

As with most things *UAP* in 2018, much credit went to George Knapp for being the medium between the public sphere and those involved in DoD programs. It was his I-Team outlet who first released the AATIP 'DIRDs' – with 38 Defense Intelligence Reference Documents associated to AATIP in total (10). Additionally, it was Knapp's book in *'Hunt for the Skinwalker'* (11), that I would read in the summer of 2018 which opened my eyes to how paranormal encounters were studied by government contractors. Although it can be difficult to grasp, the United States Government did in fact study such things in the early 21st century. Although, I don't believe everything documented in the book 'Hunt for the Skinwalker', I do believe that there is something there which needs continued official investigation. And I'm not alone in thinking that.

AAWSAP was what started it all. It was created prior to AATIP, and setup to investigate the events associated the UFO phenomenon that included a strange farming ranch in northern Utah known as 'Skinwalker Ranch'. According to researcher Joe Murgia, the story features a Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) scientist who had an anomalous experience on that rural property (12). As it would turn out that DIA scientist and former Director of AAWSAP was Dr. James Lacatski. He would both help create AAWSAP and then go onto manage the program. Apparently, as Murgia reported (12), after only 15 minutes there (on Skinwalker Ranch), Dr. James Lacatski had his own experience - a multi-coloured 'pretzel' shaped anomaly that changed to a 'Möbius Loop/strip' that was visible only to him from the angle he was sat. Whatever the anomaly might have been is unknown, but it undoubtedly persuaded Lacatski there was something to be investigated.

From the ranch Dr. James Lacatski, went back to Senator Harry Reid and had a conversation about officially starting up a program to investigate and that program became AAWSAP. Whereas AATIP was concerned with military UAP cases, AAWSAP was concerned with the broader range of paranormal/supernatural encounters - which are said to be linked strongly to the anomalous phenomena.

Despite all the revelations, we still don't have a clear picture about

these part-classified programs. To summarise the good work of George Knapp, Joe Murgia and the FOIA researchers, both AATIP and AAWSAP were shown to be connected officially with DoD who semi confirmed anomalous events with *'unique phenomenology'*. Something, I'm guessing, that DoD didn't want to say at the time (or even now).

Interesting to note that the NSA would give a no records response to the program (5), which again draws more curiosity as to what data was being accessed and by whom within the DoD's Public Affairs Office (PAO). A division which would come to define the whole AAWSAP/AATIP story in those early years. My personal feeling was that AATIP was born of AAWSAP, with the decision to dissolve the more 'kooky-woo' stuff taken as strategy and to focus specifically on the more seriously considered UAP objects. This ensured credibility and stopped any further funding being taken away. After all, if Congress finds you studying ghosts and Bigfoot you are running a risk of having your program dismantled very quickly, but, if you focus on aerial threats, you can argue that national security is at stake. Then should you wish to go public one day, the mainstream will more likely accept aerial threats as a genuine reason to spend taxpayer money.

MONDAY

15th of October, 2018
'Mainstream article.'

British Ufologist Nick Pope had written in the Guardian (13) that Monday and stated that the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) was looking into the USS Nimitz strike group encounter although we couldn't find any other record of official briefings at the time. He quoted the Congressional Record from earlier in the year (2) however made no clear reference to any briefings on UAP, at that time all information was classified and highly sensitive.

Not much ever changes in that regard.

SATURDAY

15th of December, 2018
'Meals.'

Two months later and Luis Elizondo appeared on camera with George Knapp and his Las Vegas News Team outlet and almost a year after The New York Times and POLITICO articles. He all but confirmed Knapp's question about a forthcoming new program involving UAP (almost a year and a half prior to the Task Force being established by DoD). Elizondo stated that data was flowing in the right direction at last – by this he was referring to Congressional representatives who were being informed and able to create legislation. Essentially, Congress was taking action.

And it was all thanks to AAWSAP and AATIP.

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Conclusions

Psychologically, people struggle to grasp the concept that something non-human is in the skies and our oceans in the form of 'UFOs'. The stigma is an incredibly prevalent part of this issue, so one might understand the decision to cut back the original AAWSAP effort and make it digestible for public consumption in the form of AATIP. In terms of strategy, we as activists couldn't use AAWSAP material because of the perceived stigma regarding the 'paranormal' element that was studied at Skinwalker Ranch. Certain debunkers have been more than happy to attribute negative terminology such as 'space-ghosts' and other silliness to AAWSAP in an attempt to stigmatise the entire UAP initiative as a whole. So therefore, you might understand why the focus point was AATIP and military encounters. Having said that, I genuinely believe that the anomalous phenomena is highly complex and that at some point we will need to seriously investigate the associated phenomena – simply studying lights in the sky will not give us the answers to this extremely complex and fascinating issue. The positive steps taken from those early years across 2017, 2018 and 2019 was that the Congress was showing signs of being interested in what AATIP (and by extension - AAWSAP) had produced. Maybe one day we can reach a point where the study of the associated anomalous activities are met with intrigue, not stigma.

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Chapter Three: Those who changed the world

Simply put, Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon *et al* changed the world. Without them, the disclosure we are living through today wouldn't have happened. With the support of his wife and his family, he came forward in 2017 to disclose the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) alongside the AATIP Five Observables and the credible concept of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). This was the spark. If it wasn't for him and his team, we wouldn't be where we are today. We wouldn't have *disclosure,* with no official task force from the Department of Defense (DoD) or UAP office established by Congress, and certainly there would be no formal investigation by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Arguably, there are many angles to this effort with multiple people behind the scenes doing their part. For example, Christopher Mellon worked briefings and data into his links within the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI), whereas Elizondo took the arrows and threats to his national security clearance. The consequential actions of these two men changed the world, forever. The result was that the United States Government (USG) finally confirmed and acknowledged an abstract phenomena. Something which had eluded the conscious focus of humanity since at least 1942 and the first appearance of the 'Foo-Fighters'. The UAP initiative took years of strategy, planning, meetings and networking, and most importantly, it took heroes who would be brave enough to get the job done and suffer the arrows. Their efforts to engage the DoD were beyond amazing, inspirational you might say and certainly a direct influence behind the writing of this book and series. This UAP initiative didn't just happen one day, or over a few days and weeks. No, this was planned by some very well informed, intelligent people - people who ensured that this significant issue was taken from the hands of Ufologists and given to the highest-ranking officials in America so they could do something about it. If we are to seriously consider how UAP went from being a tabloid joke to the most serious issue in history, we must first consider the political climate of America from 2016 onwards and its significance to the process. I say 2016 as opposed to 2017, as 2016 was the year of the infamous Wikileaks disclosures - the hacks into John

Podesta's email account. As you probably know, Podesta was the campaign manager for Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton and former advisor to Presidents Bill Clinton and Barack Obama. What most people fail to realise is the importance of that leaked data held within those emails. It wasn't the manufactured Q-Anon/Pizza Gate conspiracies or election stings which was claimed to influence the final election result, no, the importance was Tom Delonge. Instead, the value of those hacked emails came with regard to the very early UAP initiative and what was happening with regard to 'UFO Disclosure'. For the first time we saw what 'To The Stars Academy' (TTSA) was doing behind the scenes, what they planned to do and the important people who were involved. For those paying attention at the time, it was Rockstar Tom DeLonge who managed to bridge the compartmentalised stove-piping and brought various high-ranking officials together. 'Plan A' was there on paper and was sadly forever altered once the Russian inspired Wikileaks unwittingly became involved in their attempts to throw the election to Trump. 'Plan B' seemingly wouldn't come to light for another full year after a reset. A point of note, a very important General of high rank was named within those emails (1), and who was arguably in charge of some sensitive facilities prior to 2017. I won't repeat his name out of respect for his efforts for 'Plan A', maybe he will come forward one day himself on his own terms. We may never know what exactly occurred pre-2017 and the full truth leading up to The New York Times revelations regarding AATIP. We do know there officially was a 'Plan A' from TTSA associates, and what that might have been we do not know, and I'm also not silly enough to have ever asked.

This was an historical era when Donald Trump claimed the Presidency in the November of 2016 and who inadvertently dominated the news for the next four years. Coincidently, it was in those same years in which the slow disclosure process was occurring. His administration would come to a frantic end in the January of 2021 after weeks of social media popularising of an idea that the 2021 election was stolen from him. Regardless of what side of the political spectrum you find yourself, the events of January 06th were significant to America for many reasons. Some argue it was the end of a torrid era, whilst others argue that it was a culmination of years and years of distrust of government - symbolised by their support of Trump, an individual who embodied their hatred of extreme government secrecy and those who

maintained it. Fake news became a handy catchphrase which rejected any criticism of the White House administration, and yet at the same time diluted what was objective truth and what wasn't. People no longer knew what to believe. It was the age of anxiety.

The rise of the internet and social media had led many Americans to be exposed to misinformation, disinformation, and 'fake news', all of which heightened tensions within the political system and ultimately, would work against that same system. Some argued that the disclosure and legitimatising of the ultimate conspiracy (UAP/UFO secrecy) would only add fuel to the fire. The other argument of course, is that the fuel was already burning because of the extreme secrecy and classification surrounding UAP. The example of rotting fruit in the refrigerator comes to mind, over time the issue poisons everything else and so there comes a time to act. Regardless, the timing of the UAP revolution came at unique point in American social and political history. A time of great change and unrest. The United States was soul searching, and at its heart they found the anomalous phenomena eating away at trust within government. We might consider that the threat to American national security came through hiding the Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) reality from the public, rather than the UFO reality itself. By the December of 2018, we could go no further in our own personal studies of UAP. Our research had come to a screeching halt and presented us with inconclusive conclusions of UAP origin. The realisation set in that some scientists and researchers working in various efforts and programs were struggling with the complexity of UAP origin. Unable to fully explain the mystery, it seemed no one had a good grasp of what was happening, and therefore it was time to switch focus towards something beyond research. This forced us to consider the wider implications of the anomalous phenomena and how it is understood. Possibly this issue might need the focus of the entire scientific community to understand it and not just a handful who are aware of the significance. This consequently presented us with the resulting recommendations to move forward with:

1). Activism 2). *Disclosure*

Following the concluding part of the book 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena: A Beginner's Guide to UFOs' (2), it was quickly realised that we were limited without government acknowledgment of the phenomena.

We, here in the UAP research community, would be significantly restricted in our understanding, knowledge, funding and also by the appropriate scientific methodologies necessary to uncover the true nature of the phenomena. What would be the point in researching the phenomena under the same dogmatic paradigm, to then only circle around to the same glass ceiling conclusions? How do we analyse data sets when the United States Airforce (and others) classifies all its data. How do we rip it from them or even begin to try?

The world needed to work the problem, not me, or a handful of rag-tag UAP researchers on Twitter or even secluded programs in the DoD.

Government acknowledgement of anomalous technology was the key and would change everything about this world that included religion, science, education, travel, history, economics and everything in between. Anomalous technology and the disclosure of anomalous (non-human) intelligences would be revolutionary and dwarf in comparison the Copernicus Revolution or even the Renaissance. The sheer enormity of its acknowledgement would not be known for years to come, but for 2018, we needed big change.

We needed to have the scientific community involved if we were ever to make genuine progress and that was going to be almost impossible, at least it was in the December of 2018. Consider, at the end of the first year, despite all things ‘AATIP and Elizondo’, we still didn’t have global acceptance that UAP represented something genuinely anomalous. UAP or ‘UFOs’ were still considered fringe and they were still on a par with the crazy ‘Flat Earth Truthers’ or 'Moon Landing deniers'. We were still the tin-foil hat wearing conspiracy loons in the eyes of Joe public and only one thing was going to change that – bringing credibility to the field of UAP. Worse still was that the vast numbers of UFO people were docile, suppressed into position and de-skilled by the profitable cash cow whose sole purpose was to make money, not to disclose UFOs to the people of the world. So, in order to reframe the conversation we had would have to change the entire social paradigm of the last 70 years. To do this, we needed to change ourselves - and by that we mean *Ufology*. We needed to completely reframe the conversation of how ‘UFOs’ were thought about in the public’s perception, which, at the time was incredibly stigmatised. We needed to change the public perception of our little obscure field that occasionally studied UFOs and mostly argued amongst itself. No more conspiracies, no more little green men and no more unverifiable stories that are sensationalised in the more questionable tabloid

papers. Simply, put we needed the focus to be on the credible testimony of high-ranking officials, Congresspersons, Intelligence Officers, Navy Pilots and servicemen and women who were raising the issue of an extreme technology that was operating at will within the atmosphere and under the waters of Earth's oceans.

Somehow, in some way, we were going to have to do the impossible and to think of a way to create a platform which could carry forward our new ideology. And it needed to be a team effort. But here was the problem in December of 2018 leading into the new year, the people who could change the world *couldn't* change the world, primarily because of the barriers that were in place, restricting their movement.

Here were the players as they stood in 2018.

1). **Pro-UAP Intelligence Community within DoD:** they had the raw UAP material and access to pilots' testimony, sensory data and classified information but they didn't have the ability to change legislation or change the conversation in the eyes of the public. They couldn't release classified information or they would go to jail.

2). **Congressional representatives:** they had the power to change legislation but were completely reluctant to move on an issue which was toxic to their careers.

3). **Navy pilots and military servicemembers:** these patriots had the UAP experiences but feared losing their jobs if they came forward with their testimony. DoD was more than willing to kill their careers if they came out.

4). **Mainstream media**: interested in working to a business model based upon societal understanding of UAP, these guys had no access to information and zero interest in investigating or writing an article which favoured UAP positively. Again, fearing reputation.

5). **Ufology:** these folk knew that UAP meant something 'non-human' and whose various communities held incredibly vast numbers of 'believers'. Unfortunately, despite massive numbers they were trapped in a dogmatic paradigm which profited the 'UFO-Guru' culture and stigmatised the field of UAP. Despite our best efforts to unite them, these sub-cultures had no interest in working together for forcing disclosure with many still hung up on

unverifiable conspiracies and old paradigms. Ufology was not a brand we could get the world involved with due to its extreme negative image. It would be the equivalent of getting the world to give serious focus to the Flat Earth conspiracy.

With so many different groups of influence unable to break through barriers and paradigms, how exactly were we going to work this almost impossible problem? As people would tell us, the answer would come in the form of a process. A process which could take years, and that is exactly what happened. One without the other wouldn't have worked, at least not fully. The role my team would play would be to nestle within the Ufology element – uniting the clans to come together under one banner to make the media and politicians aware of this issue. Granted, it was a small unrequested role in the scheme of things, but a role nonetheless. This is the story of how these people came together to change the paradigm.

So, let's get started.

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WEDNESDAY

01st of January, 2019

'Sleeping lion.'

The first year of the UAP revolution had ended, 2018 was and always will be the very first year that Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP) took the world by surprise (UAP-Obfuscators especially). Although, it must be said that the UAP initiative didn't hit here in the United Kingdom where the topic of 'UFOs' is beyond taboo and a scourge on rational intelligent thought. In America however, things were moving forward behind the scenes astronomically and by the end of 2018 a small team of intelligence officials (current and former) working from within D.C. had already laid the groundwork for the next important few years. But none of this was known to the public and not even known in the better-connected UFO circles.

A case full of green-CDs would change the landscape. A case it is theorised, that contained multiple UAP videos of high definition, up close, anomalous craft on gun camera footage. Of all that there was available to

Congress, we on the public saw just a small part of three of them – ‘GIMBAL, GOFAST and FLIR1’. Across Ufology, the conversation was still focused on AATIP - the Pentagon’s verified UFO program (3) (4) and its impact and meaning for the Ufology field. Whilst AATIP was debated and counter-debated, something else was occurring - a significant Congressional initiative that was happening behind the scenes right across 2018 (some analysts have theorised it occurred in 2017 and going back through the Obama years). These briefings were happening at the classified level and involved the Senate Armed House Committee and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence although dates, times and official meetings are obfuscated. United States military pilots were the catalyst and who gave testimony and data to authorities alongside clear videos of UAP doing amazing things, things that human technology cannot. Oversight committees received compelling UAP data on objects/devices that were defying our understanding of physics and propulsion. However, despite this, the only real flickers of such a Congressional initiative in 2018 came from the posted and then quickly deleted Tom Delonge Instagram posts that read, ‘*Congress has been ignited’*. Tom knew because TTSA had some very informed insiders who were working the issue. However, as with most of Ufology at the time – nobody believed a word and continued to be obsessed with pictures of balloons. Consider again that in January 2019, *UFOs* were still fringe and stigmatised in the media, so the mainstream has zero interest in following up on the Instagram posts of a celebrity. And as for Tom Delonge himself, he was just some MTV rockstar who wasn’t to be considered seriously. Believe what you wish about the guy who ran naked in music videos at your own peril, but his colleagues at TTSA were very serious people, and he was exactly right – UFOs were indeed real, and briefings were taking place in Congress. The TTSA initiative was spearheaded by Christopher Mellon (Fmr. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence in the Clinton and George W. Bush administrations) and Luis Elizondo (Fmr. AATIP Director and Fmr. U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent and former employee of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence), both of whom were with TTSA at the time. There are others who remain nameless at the time of writing, unspoken heroes, who changed the entire concept of how we today perceive the anomalous phenomena. These patriotic men and women who fought to improve the DoD, their standards, their accountability to the American people, and their ability to defend the United States (and the

West) against enemies - foreign, domestic and 'other'. This was occurring behind the scenes whilst we in the weird world of Ufology tried to work out exactly what was happening. When all said and done it was the folks working D.C. who did this, these were the people who changed the world. Personally, the year of 2018 was the start and end of my own journey into UFO research and the weird world that comes with it. I had actively come into Ufology in October 2017, as Luis Elizondo stepped forward with TTSA after resigning his post at AATIP - his now infamous resignation letter, unbeknownst to myself at the time, would be accidentally released to the public through '*Twitteruser Jay'*, UAPinfo and myself. As to be expected, any research into the phenomena only led to more questions than it did answers. In fact, one of the conclusions I reached was that the origin of genuine anomalous technology is too complex to understand right now. We can only speculate but that's about it, we simply didn't have the data to move forward. The other conclusion I reached, was that we need the unclassified UAP data from within government programs – such as AATIP or the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP). We needed fully funded UAP programs to collect UAP data and analyse the behaviours and patterns to give us an idea of origin. We need it to not be classified and we needed governments to openly take the lead. But how do we even start to achieve this?

The answer laid with a Congressional push and signing into law legislation which would push transparency and accountability of the Pentagon with regard to UAP. Something that would be resisted.
Fiercely.

THURSDAY

02nd of January, 2019
'A new idea.'

The dawn of a new year brought new promise and inventive thinking. The promise of new beginnings and potential opportunities that would change the face of Ufology forever, although reluctantly so. For me, the year's opening few days were a symbol of change, old to new, conspiracy to science, distrust of a broken system to trust of government and most importantly, adopting UAP over UFO. This would also mean – turning researchers to activists. These concepts were unheard of in Ufology and sure

to get you labelled a disinformation agent before you even step foot into any overpriced UFO conference of *experts*.

After a year of investigating the anomalous phenomena and concluding that the complexity of the issue outweighs relevant data. Consequently, we decided the only way forward was to break the cycle and the dogmatic paradigm. The amateur field of 'Ufology' had been the forefront of research for over 70 years leading up the January of 2019 (and as I wrote extensively about in my first book) and changing the dynamic of that would be almost impossible. As they say, nothing worth having comes easy.

At the time with both UAPinfo and The Unidentified we wrote at length about how to kill Ufology and its pseudoscience ideologies. As you might imagine, this didn't sit well with the local UFO-types who had made a rather profitable careers from hoodwinking gullible believers. Hence why I deployed an alias, to shield the oncoming attacks from unscrupulous individuals who wanted Ufology to stay exactly as it was.

*'The introduction of a foreign body often provokes a reaction from the established system, particularly if there is a high possibility of dramatic and significant change. Depending on circumstances, the foreign body can be accepted and absorbed into that system, thus changing the system itself or alternatively it can be vehemently rejected and thus expelled'***.**

- Andreas Freeman Stahl (2018).

As shown in our over-elaborate explanation above, we observe Ufology as the established structure, whilst the '*UAP Initiative'* is the invading foreign body. Such movements threaten change, possibly even 'the death of Ufology' in its current state. And that was our aim, to completely reframe the concept of UAP in the minds of the public. We needed a starting point, a place to house the initiative. And that was a social media platform which sidestepped the echo chamber of private Facebook groups, Ufology radio shows, podcasts and UFO conventions. A platform which directly engaged the mainstream.

What about Twitter?

Unlike Facebook, twitter accessed billions openly with directed tweets and was very difficult to openly trace individuals due to the anonymity of the alternative accounts that one could utilise. Celebrities, politicians, media organisations, scientists, government personnel were all there and

accessible. To the old styled ‘UFO researcher’ this isn’t significant as they aren’t interested in exposing the information. However, to an emerging activist who might consider trying to expose the world to UAP information, the Twitter platform was absolutely perfect. And that is why we choose the Twitter to house the UAP revolution (Not to be overly modest, but it was pretty clever if I don’t say so myself). In this regard, to utilise the platform we needed the new message to be just right - that we didn’t know what these UAP were or where they came from, only that we needed full government accountability. Obviously, from being students of old paradigm Ufology, we knew with a high degree of confidence that the anomalous phenomena are most likely ‘non-human’, but we certainly couldn’t lead with that philosophy. We had a product to sell, and our buyer were extremely meticulous.

Initially, it was the UAPinfo team who operated through Twitter that first developed the working concept of ‘#TwitterUFO’ (The first version of #UFOTwitter prior to being changed my myself after the idea was proposed by Kik Plenty). #TwitterUFO was the first of a kind, a vessel free from conspiracy – a platform and a subculture active on twitter that supported the efforts of To The Stars Academy. Specifically, it was Danny Silva who first coined the term in 2018 and then later it was Keith Mayoh who created the famous banner and concept.

The first step to changing Ufology had started. The TTSA/TwitterUFO subculture was everything Ufology refused to be, a format which understood the position of government on UAP and requested internal change. The new platform would eventually over time attract attention from the highest echelons in the United States government, who operated on both sides of the transparency divide (so we were told be credible sources). Essentially, we focused on the fact that ‘something’ was here in our skies and oceans which couldn’t be identified. We stayed clear of conspiracy, aliens and anything which fit into the old Ufology paradigm. We ‘reframed the conversation’ and in doing so slowly bridged a gap between Ufology and the mainstream and fixed much of the damage done by pseudo-science UFO programs. The more we applied this credible message, the more interest we received from journalists, and media all curious but not completely sold. Not yet. We knew it would be a long process, but it was a start. The important point was that we had found a methodology that worked and that allowed people to start having the conversation.

But not everyone in DoD was happy about it.

TUESDAY

January 29th, 2019

'Sekret History'.

An article written within *The Unidentified* website documented the Congressional push for UAP transparency. We examined all the data which might show who was pushing for the issue to be brought out and included the event from the previous year. As already mentioned in the previous chapter, it was at a POLITICO Space Panel on April 12th, 2018, that journalist Bryan Bender posed a question about AATIP to Congressional Representative Ami Bera (D-CA), President of The Coalition for Deep Space Exploration, Lynne Dittmar, and Representative Randy Hultgren who were also present at the event (5) (6). I published the quotes of Congressman Ami Bera in the article as I tried to document how the initiate was being perceived behind the scenes.

As stated by Bera, the UAP issue piqued his interest along with other people. He was quoted as saying that he had *"talked to the Chairman of the Sub Committee, Brian Babin, as well as Lamar Smith, Chairman of the Full Committee. I said we ought to have a hearing on this, right?"*. Without doubt, this was the first time a member of Congress had requested hearings and that funds be allocated. This was also the first time we see a member on Congress openly speak freely and without fear of stigma about the UAP issue seriously in the modern age (not counting the late Senator Harry Reid). Writing as Andreas Freeman Stahl, I wrote articles in early 2019 that in the June of 2018, Dr. Eric Davis spoke on Coast-to-Coast AM with host George Knapp. Davis also confirmed that Congress had taken an interest in the emerging UAP storyline. Throughout one article, I referenced the important work and focus by Senator Harry Reid who created the AATIP program and tried to gain Special Access Program status in 2009 – but failed (3). Reid is quoted in the famous letter to Deputy Secretary of Defense, William Lynn in 2009 as highlighting how important AATIP was for progression. Reid wrote the *"results of AATIP will not only benefit the U.S. government but benefit the DoD in ways not yet imagined"*.

Interestingly, this article which I titled '*Secret History: Congressional Briefings on Unidentified Aerial Phenomena'*, was the first published article to document the interest shown by Congress on the anomalous phenomena. It received the attention of some significant people, one of which was Lue

Elizondo who commented openly for the first time in the comments section of my article and confirmed the UAP process was ongoing.

"We are excited to present new information, data, and revelations in the coming months. We (certainly me) appreciate the support and the words of encouragement. I hope people are beginning to realize that our team is sincere and committed to the cause (albeit not perfect). You are 100% correct in that this MUST be done properly and in a manner that is constructive and not destructive to our National Security. It will pay off in the end. Careful, deliberate, and collegial collaboration is imperative in order we don't "spook the heard" for those involved. Thanks again for your kind words, hopefully we won't disappoint. Best,
Lue"

- Luis Elizondo, commenting to The Unidentified article (2019).

At the time, Elizondo wasn't engaging with the UFO community, in fact he was ensuring he didn't get caught in the spiralling mess that was Ufology in those years following The New York Times article. He and his team at To The Stars Academy were focused on producing a docuseries and engaging Congressional oversight committees on Capital Hill. So to receive the comment on my article comments section was a very big deal at the time, even to the point that some had actually accused me of making it up - which I hadn't, obviously. The article I wrote for *The Unidentified* website was the first to go into detail about AATIP and the Congressional campaign which would have caught his eye. Additionally, the fact that Mr. George Knapp had retweeted the article on Twitter might have alerted him/them.

A sign of things to come.

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Conclusions

If one were to sum up the UAP initiative in one word, you might use the word '*process*'. The UAP Revolution was always a process and was about changing the paradigm slowly and responsibly. At least that's how it was explained to me by some people who knew the pathway. One can argue that this process was facilitated by a multitude of people, some in government,

some retired and some as contractors. It was about taking raw information and ensuring the right people had it, and then they could decide what to do once that information was known. The truth is that the people who covertly changed the world might never be known. And wouldn't that be the hallmark of a hero, never taking responsibility for their incredible efforts? We can only document those who openly took steps to force governments into taking accountability for the anomalous phenomena. Most people don't like to acknowledge his role, but Rockstar Tom Delonge of Blink 182 and Angel and Airwaves played a massive role in kickstarting the UAP Revolution. Somehow, at a barbeque prior to 2016, he managed to talk his way into a meeting with high level people and then convince them he was the answer to mainstream media coverage. However, you might argue that the UAP initiate was going to happen anyways, although possibly in some other way, even if Delonge hadn't pushed TTSA onto centre stage. The Congressional interest would come through briefings, mainly Christopher Mellon, Luis Elizondo and some others who haven't put their name forward. In summary there wasn't anyone person who changed the world, it was a team of people, who worked with others. My own impression is that someone, somewhere in the deep dark depths of the Intelligence Community with knowledge and access to this issue looked and decided, *'it's time, this needs to come out.'*

But who that might have been is anyone's guess?

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Chapter Four: The United States Navy create protocols for reporting UAP

When the world looks back at whom spearheaded the UAP revolution, it will become pretty obvious that the United States Naval Intelligence played a massive part in '*pushing the ball down the field*'. After all, it was their pilots and military personnel who first came forward in December 2017 and spoke with The New York Times (1) about the Nimitz encounter from 2004. The three famous Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) videos, 'FLIR1', 'GOFAST' and 'GIMBAL', that were secretly leaked to Christopher Mellon in a car park originally came from Navy sources. In 2017, when they were released to the public by The New York Times and Tom Delonge's, To The Stars Academy (TTSA), there was no procedure in place for reporting such an extreme UAP technology. Up until that point in history, incursions of UAP were taken and buried, never acted upon or passed up the chain of command. Some conspiracy theorists claim that the encounters were acted upon in secrecy by some United States Airforce (USAF) defense contactors, however this has never been proven and if such an effort existed it would be classified. The UAP video leaks, as we were told, happen when frustration comes into the system and when accountability has stalled. Seemingly, on the surface, this is what occurred in 2017. The videos went through a declassification process unbeknownst to others in the Department of Defense (DoD) which allowed them to be released or leaked out as unclassified. But was this part of a much bigger disclosure effort? Or was this a case of a small group of DoD insiders using TTSA and trying to get out information to Congress and the people?

We didn't know at that point.

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MONDAY

11th of March, 2019

‘Are we the good guys?’

It was a cold and frosty morning that I sat with my dressing gown and hot water bottle as those thoughts about virtues got caught in my mind. I seem to recall being on paternity leave around that time having just had our second child. This allowed me the luxury of time gaps between feeding regimes and changing dirty nappies to read a blog post by former Chief Master-At-Arms Sean Cahill of the USS Princeton. Cahill is a former Navy officer who had witnessed ‘Tic-Tacs’ shaped UAP swirl above the USS Nimitz strike group in 2004. Sean was an incredibly well-spoken person (even for an American) who looked the spitting image of Hollywood film star Jason Momoa. His letter to Ufology (2) in the March of 2019 introduced himself to the scene, a few months prior to making his appearance in Episode 3 of the TTSA documentary ‘Unidentified: Inside America’s UFO Investigation’ that would premier on the History channel in the Springtime of 2019. Sean would eventually team up with Luis Elizondo and his ‘SkyFort’ effort in future years alongside Jessie and Jake. As a close friend of Dan Zetterstrom (UAPMediaUK, EndUAPSecrecy) Sean worked tirelessly for UAP transparency behind the scenes in ways which we will probably never get to know, prior to becoming involved. It was his question, asked to the former the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) Director Luis Elizondo which always stuck with me, “...a*re we the good guys?”*.

Keep in mind that in 2018, mainstream Ufology pushed back against TTSA and did not trust Lue Elizondo or what he was trying to do. Historically, the Ufology field had been plagued with hoaxes, charlatans and hucksters trying to make some easy money or place themselves as a Guru - so you can understand the trepidation amongst the old faithful who had lived through the disinformation. Ufology however was a mess, there is no getting away from that. Those were the days in which hoaxes, crackpots and snake oil salespeople roamed freely across podcasts, radio shows and conferences. They polluted the mainstream against any credibility. Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) were made laughable by claims about ‘aliens in a cave’ or fighting the evil cabal on Mars. People were suckered into paying for the *truth* by these Ufology hucksters and getting away with it all too easily. Worse still, at the same time these Ufology money-makers told their followers that Elizondo was a disinformation agent (there are still conspiracy lunatics to this day trying to attack him). It was only the small new emerging

groups from TwitterUFO and UAPinfo that supported and fought for TTSA and Elizondo. A fact he was appreciative of.

But the question remained, *are we the good guys*? Or are we being played?

Also as a wider question we can ask, what were we doing this for? Why support the United States who had obfuscated the truth for 70 plus years? I guess it is important to remember that the people who started the secrecy died a long time ago. Elizondo and Mellon and those working into the system to fix the UAP issue didn't create this problem, they aren't throwing grenades to break the system, they are trying to fix the system so that oversight of UAP technology can finally occur. That is what I held onto, not the idea we were supporting some secret government cabal. I choose to believe that we were the goods guys and that UAP disclosure is what matters above all else. That was where our support was founded and based. For any of this initiative to work we needed to settle frustrations with what we think we know to be true about government. In the end we simply didn't know for sure who had access to the hanger doors that supposedly housed craft and alien bodies. We do know that the U.S. government isn't one big monolith that knows exactly what other parts are doing. If craft and bodies were hidden, it was because a small group had buried it within private defense contractors, free from official oversight. Without doubt, this topic is the one topic that needs Congressional oversight.

When TTSA, Elizondo, Mellon, and the UAP revolution entered onto the scene in 2017, they had already set sights to target Congress, to essentially force them to recognise what was happening with military encounters. The plan was always to have n acknowledged, fully funded version of AATIP (Pentagon UAP program), that seriously investigated the anomalous phenomena within the DoD. That is what we, as pre-emptive activists, focused our efforts upon. Supporting that initiative.

And that support was about to be paid off in the first real movement since December 2017.

TUESDAY

23rd of April, 2019

'Making Waves.'

Very little was occurring in those first few years. At least, very little

was occurring openly. Across 2018 and into 2019, Congressional oversight committees were being briefed very quietly and very delicately behind the scenes. It was on that Tuesday in late April that a stunning revelation half made its way into the mainstream (with only a handful of media noticed this). The efforts of Christopher Mellon and anonymous intelligence officials working with Congressional oversight committees and the Naval intelligence had established legislation to allow pilots and other military servicemen protocols for reporting unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP). In terms of historical timing, this was done in seemingly good timing and three months prior to July 2019, when one of the biggest UAP data capture efforts occurred.

Unfortunately, the media didn't grasp the significance of how and why legislation was being drafted and the wider plan going forward. Also, mainstream Ufology didn't move on this, they ignored it and downplayed its significance. Only our small #TwitterUFO subculture really understood the importance of what it meant long term. Some old guard Ufologists even dismissed the reporting protocols as "*TTSA fluff*" for their upcoming documentary, and that I could personally "*quote him on that*". Well, as it turned out the Navy reporting protocols were legislation separate from a documentary and were indeed quite serious. Essentially, they allowed a database of pilot testimony and case reports to be built up and given to congress. On the basis of UAP Congressional briefings that had been occurring by Naval Intelligence officials across 2018 and into 2019 (3), the first move towards official UAP transparency had occurred. This was a major landmark which again went generally unnoticed by mainstream media. Additionally, there was zero comment made by the USAF, who as it would turn out were very *neural* (at best) on UAP transparency.

"There have been a number of reports of unauthorized and/or unidentified aircraft entering various military-controlled ranges and designated air space in recent years."

- Bryan Bender, POLITICO (2019).

Christopher Mellon praised the move by the U.S. Navy who told POLITICO that the current attitude is UAP are anomalies to be ignored rather than anomalies to be explored. He goes on to indicate that military personnel do not know what to do with UAP data because they are not traditional missiles

or even aircraft. According to Bender, writing for POLITICO, the Navy had updated and formalised the reporting process by which incidents of any such suspected incursions could be passed over to the appropriate authorities (3). Essentially, a system had been created by the Navy to allow the Congressional oversight committees to gather and analyse issues regarding anomalous phenomena.

For the first time within the UAP revolution era, we saw significant movement which mirrored the forthcoming intent of Congress and the U.S. Navy. Additionally, Bryan Bender (the journalist who broke the AATIP story alongside the NYT in 2017 and who would later block my alternative account on Twitter for reasons I still don't know), was the first mainstream journalist to report that UAP briefings had occurred. I had written for the website 'The Unidentified' about the potential for briefings by late 2018 however this was the first time any real media person had documented the interest my Congress. Another milestone which went unnoticed at the time. Keep in mind that these were the days when UAP weren't real in the public eye – a joke, a conspiracy, a fringe science to be mocked and yet all the while UAP were being briefed within classified settings at the highest levels of government. One might make the argument that the new reporting platform was created so that military personnel could make reports which could then be taken and fed back to Congress. After all, we know that there was indeed Congressional interest (4).

Something was happening.

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Conclusions

The Navy protocols were the first major movement following the AATIP disclosures of 2017. To those who had been paying attention this was significant and a big indication the process was working. Information was being digested and we were starting to see for the first time the interplay between Congress and the DoD/Navy, linking together the UAP recording and analysis. Following the POLITICO article, there was some minor mainstream interest but nothing major. The British press didn't even mention the story. Possibly, the lack of mainstream engagement was the result of

specific details being held back. A story which states Navy Pilots now have official channels to report their UAP encounters means nothing without knowing exactly what they were encountering. Even within Ufology, the career Ufologists had decided this was a nothing story, that the Navy were taking the issue seriously was a massive deal. What was interesting is that despite global trends of reporting UAP falling (5), we were told that the incursions by UAP into the sensitive areas around Navy vessels was actually rising, and we didn't know why. Sadly, as with most things to do with UAP, it wasn't acknowledged. Regardless, the first steps had been taken to establishing something more profound. The UAP Revolution was very much alive and kicking.

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Chapter Five: Nimitz and Roosevelt - the two military cases of anomalous technology

Two cases changed the world, and they did it with very little data. The case reports of the USS Nimitz and USS Roosevelt were the crown jewel in the early years of civilian activism and the hallmark of the UAP Revolution. When we reflect back, we had very little to work with - a few blurry videos and a handful of credible testimonies from military personnel and Navy Pilots. Ultimately, it was the holistic Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) information that was presented to the Congressional oversight committees that persuaded them to act - information that wasn't available to the public. Through the testimony of various individuals at the time, we knew that there are hundreds of military cases – that would be officially confirmed via the UAP report in 2021 (1). Most alarmingly, these incursions are occurring to this very day, probably even as you read this. One of the reasons for the UAP initiative, *it is believed by UAP analysts*, is that there has been a significant increase in the activity of the anomalous phenomena around sensitive airspace and nuclear facilities in the past decade. There have been multiple military reports of various transmedium objects or devices, which present as differing geometric shapes ranging from cylinders, cubes, spheres, pyramids, triangles and the traditional flying discs or *saucers.* Due to extreme classification, we have snippets of data, never the entire case, and never something concrete that we can say is anomalous (non-human). By far the best UAP case to date, is still the USS Nimitz encounter from 2004 which involved forty-foot white oblong cylinders that appeared off the West Coast of America before disappearing mysteriously. These became known as the 'Tic-Tacs' (see the Case Report chapter for dull details). Testimony came from pilots David Fravor, Alex Dietrich, Chad Underwood, James Slaight with radar testimony coming from Gary Voorhis and Kevin Day. Other confirmation came from Sean Cahill, a man who would become an important part of the disclosure initiative. The famous UAP video 'FLIR1' was taken in November 2004 and displayed instantaneous acceleration.

The second-best case was the USS Roosevelt incursion from 2014/2015 in which 15-20ft wide 'cubes encased within spheres' buzzed

fighter pilots for almost everyday for over a year. The famous 'GIMBAL' UAP video which was released to The New York Times in 2017 by Christopher Mellon showed a 'Flying Disc' that stopped and rotated in mid-air, much to the alarm of the pilots watching. The 'GOFAST' UAP video was also shot in the January of 2015 by the same squadron. We had anomalous technology caught on forward looking infrared camera (FA/18, gun camera) but without any additional supporting data. From 2017 to the May of 2019, the Roosevelt case was simply the 'GIMBAL' and 'GOFAST' UAP videos without anything else. We didn't even know the nuclear strike group name or the specific date. We had it on good authority that the Pentagon's secret UAP investigation – the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) - had studied these cases, but we had nothing to verify this. We do know that the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP) had a contractor – the Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS) - who produced a technical report on the Nimitz encounter (released in 2018 by George Knapp). We also know that AATIP and AAWSAP were closely amalgamated to the point of confusion - but the real point was that these programs both studied UAP and the Nimitz case from 2004.

Despite this, FOIA researchers struggled to find concrete data to verify that AATIP investigated UAP cases such as Roosevelt or Nimitz. For myself, the word of former Senator Harry Reid and the former AATIP director Luis Elizondo (and AATIP contractor scientists Davis and Puthoff) was good enough - yes - the two military cases were part of the Pentagon's Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) programs. Additionally, we should note that the cases of USS Roosevelt and USS Nimitz were a problem to the 'UAP-Obfuscators' in the Department of Defense (DoD) and elsewhere because the public believed the pilots when they spoke. After all, men and women such as Alex Dietrich, Sean Cahill and David Fravor are trained to win wars and keep us safe, which means identifying enemy aircraft.

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WEDNESDAY

22nd of May, 2019

'A false start.'

Much of our research focus was upon the Pentagon program of AATIP and also AAWSAP. If you have read the first book in this series *'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena: A Beginners Journey into UFOs'* (2) you will have noted that the United States Public Affairs Officers from The New York Times and POLITICO confirmed Elizondo was the AATIP director, but they didn't confirm openly that AATIP was a UAP program directly (at least not in open publication). That additional confirmation of AATIP being UAP program came from the late Senator Harry Reid and various anonymous intelligence officers/sources and Dana White (off the record – or at least not mentioned in publication). This is significant because it led to much speculation as to why the Pentagon hadn't confirmed AATIP as a program which investigated anomalous phenomena such as the objects within the videos 'GIMBAL', 'GOFAST' and 'FLIR1'. That was possibly a bridge too far, or at least it was in 2017.

By the time May had sprung into the Spring season we received an unexpected piece of news. The Pentagon, via then spokesperson Christopher Sherwood, confirmed to Steven Greenstreet of The New York Post that AATIP did indeed study Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena (3).

Whereas Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and the military adoption of Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena (UAP) are not *entirely* interchangeable, the pop-culture appreciation is that UFO equals *alien* (whereas Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena essentially means something which is simply unidentified). As I was told, the military use of 'UAP' was used to step back the concerns that the world will implode and riot upon immediately learning that there is a 'non-human' intelligence here and that their technology is far beyond our own. Strategy is used by those in Congress/DoD/contractors etc, who wanted to delicately release this information (Progressionists) whereas those who didn't want this information released (Obfuscators) simply wanted to shut down the entire UAP initiative completely.

Over those years, a desperate war of attrition would rage through those two groups - the UAP Progressionists versus the UAP Obfuscators - each with their own targeted support base, interests and influences, fighting a bitter proxy war across social media and mainstream outlets. Each group was trying to uncover what data the other might have and how best to exploit it.

In a strange way our accidental UAPinfo leak in 2018 from the Christopher Mellon website might have progressed that process for the better

– particularly the picture of multiple green CDs that it was thought to contain multiple high-definition videos of UAP as they perform amazing manoeuvres (thought to have been used to brief Congress). Maybe, it sent a clear message to the UAP Obfuscators – *'we have the arsenal, don't fuck with us.'* However, this is very speculative on my behalf, the truth is that it was accidental on our part within UAPinfo. The leak was simply just a mistake, data was retrieved and released by ourselves (Elizondo resignation letter, etc) which shouldn't have been. Apologies were made and we all moved on. Regardless, any message of *'don't fuck with us'* clearly didn't work as the Obfuscators in DoD hit us hard.

As it would turn out, the PAO Sherwood announcement in spring 2019 was the last time we would see any genuine transparency on AATIP for a long, long time. We would quickly find out that those small group of Obfuscators within DoD were about to strike back in the following months, and strike back hard with force. Openly they were manoeuvring slowly with most of their targets and threats coming covertly against the clearances of anyone who dared to speak out about UAP. The last thing the Pentagon needed was yet another Elizondo type coming forward and bring awareness to the anomalous. Consequently, they waited with coiled intent. They knew exactly how and where to hit the progressionist effort led by Elizondo and Mellon, but not yet, they had to be patient and wait out what was coming in The New York Times.

SATURDAY

25th of May, 2019

'*Fighter Jets and something else.'*

The New York Times hadn't covered the UAP issue since December 2017 with its two back-to-back articles. Somehow the revelations of a Pentagon UAP program and genuine anomalous technology wasn't worth an immediate follow up - at least not until over a year and a half later that is. The original articles from December 16th 2017 revealed the first 'UAP case' of unknown origin – the USS Nimitz encounter of November 2004. The case that would change everything.

It was damaging to the secrecy and the Pentagon knew it.

The Nimitz Encounters (2004)

This was the first ever open military case that occurred off the Western Coast of America/Mexico. Radar operators aboard the USS Princeton (part of the USS Nimitz strike group) flagged multiple objects dropping down from 80'000 feet to 20'000 in 0.78 seconds before going straight back up into space. When pilots Alex Dietrich, James Slaight and David Fravor (plus Douglas Kurth) were scrabbled to intercept, they encountered a forty foot long 'Tic-Tac' object that was white in colour and moving around erratically over disturbed surface water. As Commander Fravor engaged the object it mirrored his movements before accelerating away at a high rate of speed and was gone. The 'Tic-Tac' then reappeared 60 miles away at the pilots 'CAP' point – a position known only to the pilots and operators. After returning to the Nimitz for work up, another set of Navy Pilots set off to find the anomalous object that Fravor and the others has claimed to encounter. Navy Airman and Weapons System Operator (WSO) Chad Underwood found the object after being directed to its location, locking onto it with their forward-looking infrared system. This video represents the famous 'FLIR1' video (originally leaked to a German company in 2007 and also to Above Top-Secret website - a UFO forum) which is not to be confused with the 'GIMBAL' or 'GOFAST' videos. The FLIR1 video shows a blurry 'indistinguishable' object that accelerates to the left of screen at high speed. A commendable piece of research on the 'Tic-Tac' speed was instigated by researchers of the Scientific Coalition for UAP Studies in 2019. They stated the Tic-Tac acceleration from 28'000 ft to sea level in 0.78 seconds would have involved at least 4.3 × 1011 J of energy (assuming a mass of 1000 kg). They also calculated this is equivalent to about 100 tons of TNT. They concluded that this would have a catastrophic effect on the surrounding environment (4). However, no such detrimental atmospheric effect was witnessed by the Pilots and seemingly the 'signatures' of what we consider *thrust propulsion* were not present. This would potentially indicate a new form of physics and technology - one that is not using rocket propulsion.

The Nimitz encounter is arguably the most famous 'UAP' case in history, and very much sparked the basis for the UAP revolution. An excellent short documentary and series summary by filmmaker Dave Beaty (2018) was the first to cover the incident in depth and allegedly even reached the highest levels of government. Although some of pilots involved hadn't

openly come forward by 2019 (Pilot Alex Dietrich hadn't at this point - we knew her identify through the Mellon website and kept it a secret. Also, Pilot Chad Underwood wouldn't come forward until December 2019). Much of the official case data was not transparent due to a DoD refusal policy to comment on individual cases and focused classification. The additional case data comes from other servicemen who operated the Nimitz strike group at that time, with an excellent write up by journalist Tim McMillan (5) appearing in Popular Mechanics (McMillan would come to play his own significant role in the UAP initiative as the years progressed).

The vast number of people who had involvement within this case, both directly and indirectly, still refuse to step forward and discuss what they know. We are told this is primarily due to fear of retribution, an unwilling to be known as the *crazy UFO-person* and also the issue of fanatic believers and debunkers hounding them and their families for information. It is understandable, you can appreciate why they wouldn't come forward.

Roosevelt Incursion (2014/2015)

The Roosevelt incursions happened across 2014/2015 and involved the Red Rippers squadron (*and others*). The most famous UAP videos come from this case, 'GIMBAL' – the video of a blurry 'Flying Disc' that stops and seemingly rotates. The other famous video is 'GOFAST' in which an unknown object traveling over the ocean is recorded by Navy Pilots. Both were filmed via the forward looking inferred (FLIR1) of a F-18 Navy fighter jet in the January of 2015. At the time it is thought that both were captured by the same pilots, by the same crew and from the same night-flight, although it wouldn't be until 2022 that I could confirm this via Navy Pilot Ryan Graves. Additionally, it is believed by some researchers that there might be as many as five different videos from the Roosevelt case in 2015 (6), although again this is unverified officially. On the show Coast To Coast AM with George Knapp, Keith Basterfield stated that there may be another three videos that are separate to 'GOFAST' and 'GIMBAL'. Pilot Ryan Graves has since confirmed additional details about the GIMBAL incident (7), however much of the incident is missing and deemed to be classified. What we know is that the Navy Pilots described 'GIMBAL' as a *spinning top*, otherwise known as a 'Flying Saucer' or disc. The issue with the USS Roosevelt case is a distinct lack of data which is problematic for UAP transparency.

Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) Briefings on Roosevelt Incursions

In April 2022, a heavily redacted email would be released by The Blackvault following an FOIA request that confirmed additional details of the infamous GIMBAL case from January 2015 (8). The email addressed to 'Admiral,' gave details of the Weapons System Operator (WSO) – the aviator who filmed the 'GIMBAL' video we have all seen so many times. On January 16th (year not stated) an unclassified briefing took place that involved members of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI), the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) (including a representative for Senator Tom Cotton, R.AR), Navy Office of Legislative Affairs and Navy attendees including the FA/18 Pilots who encountered and filmed the 'GIMBAL' object.

The email document confirmed that the 2015 UAP incident took place in the warning area off the East Coast of Jacksonville, Florida. The incident took place *'towards the end of the night flights'*. The redacted document also stated that the GIMBAL object was travelling from the EAST and heading towards the ships (we now know to be the USS Roosevelt). The Navy aircrew determined this was not a false hit and were able to gain a lock. The document then states that the object was shaped like a ****. The '****' is blacked out, redacted and classified. The document also confirms that '*a portion of that video*' was aired by the press and this is what engaged Congress interest. We can conclude that the shape of the GIMBAL (which we know to be a Spinning Top/Disc through pilot disclosures to The New York Times in 2019) has been classified in this document. Additionally, this document also confirms that there is a longer version of this video – as we also know. The documents of the FA/18 pilot encounter would reach some media in April, most prominently the Daily Mail. Another issue was that there had been some confusion over the 'GO FAST' and the 'GIMBAL' videos and *if* it involved the same pilots. In 2022, I would ask Navy Pilot Lt. Ryan Graves on social media if he could shed any light on this, to which he replied (9).

"*Same aircrew, same flight, same night. I actually wasn't aware of that fact initially, but it was confirmed by DoD though I don't have the source readily available*".

- Navy Pilot Ryan Graves, Twitter, (2022).

Conspiracies and debunking GIMBAL

Up until that Sunday in the May of 2019, we had no additional details surrounding the 'GIMBAL' gun camera footage that was released by The New York Times in 2017. Up until that point 'GIMBAL' remained a single, unverified video of a strange inverted '*disc'* looking object which seemingly stopped in mid-air and rotated. Due to the lack of supporting data, the unfortunate case meant that internet conspiracies emerged from pseudo-debunkers trying to paint a narrative that it was all a hoaxed ploy to trick the government into taking UFOs seriously. In the case of the 'GIMBAL' object, the debunkers tried to argue that the object wasn't rotating (despite the pilots witnessing it on multiple sensors) and that it was a lens flare/trick of the light, which was a result of the aircraft's camera. As for the object itself – the debunkers claim it was simply an out of focus plane (at 30nm away) and the other fleet (five Cubes within Spheres) was not addressed by them. What they didn't want to take into account was that when Pilots use their infrared forward looking camera, they can still clearly make out the wings of a blurry aircraft - regardless of 'glare'. Also, both the ship's radar and F/18s can identify rogue aircraft (*and identify it*) in sensitive military airspace at 30 miles away. Marik von Rennenkampff, a former consultant to President Obama, would point out to us, *'Glare doesn't rotate and never exceeds wingspan'*. Meaning the debunkers were wrong.

Other erratic debunker claims over the years have been proposed that the object in 'GO FAST' video was a delinquent balloon and that the 'Cubes within Spheres' were misidentified radar deflectors, all of which have been debunked, or should we say 're-bunked'.

The objects are still officially unidentified by DoD.

A *multiple billion-dollar defense system*

What the debunkers never acknowledge is that the United States military systems and sensory technology is highly profound and hyper advanced. They are the best of the best, used by the military of the world's greatest superpower. If we look at the radar detection systems and in particular (AN) SPY-1, apparently that system can maintain a continuous radar surveillance whilst automatically tracking more than 100 targets at one time. According to

the Missile Defence website: SPY-1 can detect a golf ball-sized target at ranges in excess of around 165 km (10). The unique SPY-1 multi-function phased array radar system is reported by the Global Security website to be designed for very challenging missions, which include *'long-range volume search, fire control-quality tracking and ballistic missile defense'* (11). Additionally, when we consider that this sensory radar technology is deployed by the most sophisticated defence apparatus in the world, and by a military designated to fight and win wars, we must conclude that this is not the same standard as a civilian with a polaroid camera taking an obscure photo of a UFO in the sky one drunken fourth of July weekend.

The Navy and Airforce are able to identify aircraft which fly into sensitive airspace, *without question.* Planes and drones are identified miles before they incur into a strike group airspace. The origin of any aircraft would be known and the destination would also be known – *instantly.* Consider also that aircraft don't simply escape an FA/18 or and FA/16 with top speeds of Mach 2 (1'500mph) and an average cruising speed of 577 mph (12).

If we also consider the very best modern day fighter planes produced at Lockheed Martin - the F/16V or 'Viper' are the very latest edition of the F/16 Fighting Falcon fourth generation – a multi-role, fighter aircraft (13). The latest F/16V has a clear glass cockpit and now incorporates an upgraded mission computer that includes state-of-the-art avionics and multi-function colour displays. Situational awareness has been improved on the F/16 Viper and is equipped with an upgraded program display generator and has an ability of 'identification friend or foe' (IFF). Again, these advanced machines aren't Randy Quaid flying in a crop duster - these are the most sophisticated aircraft that operate as part of a billion-dollar defense institution. And they are reporting anomalous objects they simply cannot identify.

Think about that.

SUNDAY

26th of May, 2019

'Wow.'

That Sunday night, I sat down to read the latest UFO article in The New York Times (14) that was titled: *'Wow, What Is That? Navy Pilots Report Unexplained Flying Objects'*. Again, it was the same journalists,

Kean, Blumenthal and Cooper who followed up on the AATIP, UAP and ‘Tic-Tac’ story from 2017. And once again, they brought forward United States Navy Pilots with UAP encounters. Five Navy Pilots in total. All of whom had spoke to The New York Times about unknown *unknowns*, although only two wished to be named openly. It was Lieutenants Ryan Graves and Danny Accoin who would go forward publicly on record, stating that these objects would appear at 30’000 feet, 20’000 feet and then at sea level also. The pilots who witnessed the GOFAST and GIMBAL videos have never come forward (at time of writing in 2022) to verify if they saw these objects with their own eyes or whether they just saw the objects on their forward-looking infrared camera (FLIR1) screens as they flew. On the History show *'Unidentified: Inside Americas UFO Investigation'* it was Lue Elizondo who stated the WSO who recorded the GIMBAL video from his FA/18 had pulled out of being filmed for unknown reasons. We can only hope that he and others come forward some day and clarify the Roosevelt incident in full.

“…. they could accelerate, slow down and then hit hypersonic speeds.”

- Navy Pilots, via Cooper, Kean and Blumenthal, The New York Times (2017).

The pilots who anonymously came forward, verified that they flew from Oceana beach off the East Coast of the United States and were part of the USS Roosevelt nuclear strike group. From 2014 though to when they left for Iraq and Syria in the Middle East in 2015, these pilots were seeing strangely shaped objects such as the famous 15-20ft wide ‘*Cubes encased within Spheres’* almost daily for over a year. The 2019 New York Times article reported that a specific ‘video’ was showing objects that accelerated up to hypersonic speed, then made instant stops and also instantaneous turns (14). There is no follow up as to which specific video this might be that the pilots are referring to – could it have been ‘GIMBAL’ or ‘GOFAST’ potentially, or the rumoured other videos that haven’t seen the light of day?

We simply do not know.

Even though we only have anecdotal evidence, that evidence was still compelling and coming from United States Navy Pilots who were making claims to the most prestigious news outlet in America that something

anomalous was occurring and occurring frequently. Unlike certain disingenuous debunkers with no academic background in professional research, we in the UAP research community value evidence in all forms – which includes witness testimony. The problem with Roosevelt case, is that it was almost devoid of any data. Nothing substantial could be fully drawn from the case beyond testimony from two pilots – Graves and Accoin - (on record) and the signature UAP video of the blurry upside down 'Flying Disc/Spinning Top' type of object captured in the January of 2015. Unlike the USS Nimitz encounters, we were missing the very important first-hand testimony of multiple military personnel. We can only assume this is because the USS Roosevelt flight squad are still operating within the United States Government and haven't yet retired. The result is a very weak case, it has left a massive grey area to which conspiracies and debunking could easily influence impressionable minds and would eventually form online communities based around discrediting UAP case reports. But still, the implications are unbelievably important.

FRIDAY

31st of May, 2019

'Inside the UFO investigation.'

What started as a small murmur in the water had developed into a significant UAP wave by the end of May. The build up had slowly grown through the beginning of 2019 with The New York Times article (14) getting ahead of the game and also through the media appearances by Tom Delonge, Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon to promote *'Unidentified: Inside America's UFO investigation'*. A TV show on the history channel that was sandwiched between episodes of the popular Ancient Aliens series on a Friday night. Unfortunately, the History channel isn't a seriously considered outlet and mostly understood to be simply a form of entertainment. We have all see the famous 'I'm not saying it was aliens, but it *was* aliens' meme. We all hoped for a BBC Panorama type investigation or documentary, however, we instead got something else. This is not to discredit the good work that was done, and the television program was able to reach millions of people. I remember speaking to Keith Mayoh (*UAPinfo, The Unidentified*) at the time and saying that genuinely significant information doesn't need a soundtrack to enhance it, and when you do add background music (even subtlety), you

are telling the viewers subconscious that this is entertainment and not ‘infotainment’. Real world changing information doesn’t need a soundtrack. A lesson we would adopt and apply to UAP promotion videos in later years with activism campaigns. Despite some minor criticisms, the Unidentified show on the History channel brought significant data which is still drawn upon in research and activism to this day. It ran for two seasons across 2019 and 2020 and brought forward some credible witnesses to help aid understanding. ‘*Infotainment’* as it was called. However, a third season would not occur with Mellon, Elizondo and Justice all leaving ‘To The Stars Academy’ (TTSA) for other opportunities.

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Conclusions

The two cases of the USS Nimitz and USS Roosevelt have grown and continue to grow with additional UAP information, slow moving as it may have seemed in those years. The additional data taken from redacted reports and documents, statements from Navy Pilots and testimony and from other sensitive sources have allowed us to paint the most comprehensive picture yet of what happened within those Coastal skies in 2004 and 2014/2015 (please see Case Reports for full details). The USS Nimitz and Roosevelt were just the start of the revelations which involved anomalous incursions. These two cases which involved the three Pentagon UFO videos carried us further into mainstream acceptance than all of the other Ufology cases in 70 years. The frustrating part was that these two cases had no official government transparency due to stigma and excessive classification. The briefings by Pilots to Congress (15) are thought to be classified and certainly withheld. The DoD classified any such data and made a policy of not commenting on any direct case reports, so the result was that we have very limited information about the circumstances. The case reports of Nimitz and Roosevelt were under lock and key with strategic efforts in place to withhold any information reaching the public sphere. This ultimately would lead to further leaks, frustration at the system, and the formation of cultist debunker groups that would fight to repel the UAP initiative.

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Chapter Six: Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena - Case Reports

Case reports of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) have been the backbone of Ufology research for over 75 years. Without the documented cases from military and civilian encounters, we simply wouldn't have the understanding we have today about the anomalous (as limited as it is). Over recent years, UAPMediaUK has focused on military UAP cases and pushed to apply scientific methodology to each case. The 'GLP' mentioned in the following case reports refer to the identification of the case report itself – #GLP 01-12 for example are documented in volume one of this series. The following case reports are broken down into the following subsections: Case ID, Type, Location, Date (time), Incident, Possible Explanations, Analysis, Conclusion and Working Hypothesis. Through this methodology, we can evaluate the case data holistically. With this in mind, we must advocate that it is important to step back from *wanting* to find a specific conclusion, thus avoiding researcher bias, and consequently allowing the case reports to show a holistic objective approach. Unfortunately, many *believers* and *debunkers* in the field of Ufology tend to set out with a predetermined narrative which goes against how science is supposed to work. Science doesn't care what the outcome is, and neither should we in the search for objective truth. Eliminating ethical bias is therefore vital to the process of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) investigation, just as it is in any other professional field of practice. Therefore, we ourselves need to apply an objective, unbiased, ethical approach to our case reports which doesn't seek to definitively conclude on a predetermined outcome. In our reports we have included all available data at the unclassified level, however we recognise that we are limited by what is available due to classification. Listed below are the military cases which have occurred from 2003-2021.

Case Report: #GLP013 - The USS Ronald Reagan Case (2003)
Case Report: #GLP014 - The USS Nimitz Encounters (2004)
Case Report: #GLP015 - The USS Roosevelt Incursions (2014/15)
Case Report: #GLP016 - The W-72 East Coast Incursions (2019)

Case Report: #GLP017 - The USS Omaha ‘Sphere’ (2019)
Case Report: #GLP018 - The USS Russell ‘Pyramids’ (2019)

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Case Report: #GLP013

The USS Ronald Reagan Case

The Ronald Reagan Case is an old case from 2003 (disputed to be 2004) that was brought to our attention via researchers Keith Basterfield, Dave Beaty (1) and USS Ronald Reagan crew member Karol Olesiak (2). This case is a good example of how Navy vessels have experienced Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) and yet haven't ever come forward until the UAP initiative occurred in 2017. This case was picked up by mainstream media articles (3) (4), but mainly has flown under the radar. Despite its age, the USS Ronald Reagan case is now considered an open report with more data and testimony expected.

Case Report: The Ronald Reagan Case
Case ID: #GLP013
Type: Military incursion
Date: 2003 (possibly 2004)
Location: The Bermuda Triangle area, West Coast of the United States

Incident:

According to reports of the Navy witnesses (2), in 2003 the USS Ronald Reagan was engaging in hurricane avoidance manoeuvres around the Bermuda Triangle area when the entire top-side part of the carrier was engaged by an unusual looking unidentified object. The reports from multiple witnesses describe the object as being an orange 'orb' as *"big as a jet fighter"*. The orb was keeping speed with the Navy vessel Ronald Reagan in a way that wasn't using any discernible means of propulsion. Karol Olesiak (Quartermaster of the Watch) stated that it was there for hours (2). Olesiak would confirm to researcher Dave Beaty, that the object was a *"glowing reddish-orange oval-shaped, fighter jet-sized object was hovering over the flight deck"*. He confirmed seeing the UAP at eye level from about 100 yards away and seemed to have a '*glowing, burning uneven surface'* (2). Patrick Gokey (the Boatswain's Lookout) reported the UAP was a *"bright orange ball and was wavy, but somehow still solid like plasma almost"*. According to

Gokey, the object instantly appeared 200 feet over the flight deck and was there for only about 30 seconds (different time length to Olesiak's claim of hours) without moving from its position above the deck of the USS Ronald Reagan. Gokey then stated the orb completed three half circles before disappearing *"super fast"*. *"It (the bright orange orb) didn't move in ways that I've seen other aircraft manoeuvre, and it was faster than anything I've ever seen,"* Patrick Gokey told The Sun Online (3). The orb then returned between 30 minutes to an hour off the fantail and again hovered 200 feet in the air (2). The same UAP or '*Sphere/Orb'*, was now behind the ship this time. The object did the same half circles prior to it taking off again and disappearing. Another witness, Derek Smith (Boatswain's Mate Seaman) reported the object as being *"a sideways orange oval and it wasn't solid…"*. Derek Smith's trainee also reported to Dave Beaty that the UAP performed a 'half-loopy swoop', then went up into the clouds. The trainee reported that the object was still being tracked on radar at that point.

Alternative Explanations

There have been suggestions that the object might have been a weather balloon, although that is not what has been described by the Navy witnesses. Others have suggested that the object might have been strange weather phenomena or even an optical illusion caused by the Sun, although the object has been said to be on radar – given that witnesses' testimony be considered reliable. 'Ball Lightning' and 'St. Elmo's Fire' could be considered as natural phenomena resulting in electrical and plasma discharges, however these phenomena do not have a valid scientific explanation and yield only to speculation. Additionally, the UAP in this case was reported to move under seemingly intelligent control for prolonged periods.

Analysis:

This case suffers from its age. The specific details are lost as more time passes from the incident in either 2003 or 2004. We still do not know the exact date of the incident(s) although we do have the rough time (20:00) and location – The Bermuda Triangle. Researcher Dave Beaty has confirmed that as of May 2022, he had made contact with about 10 individuals who were on the USS Ronald Reagan. Despite its age, the case is strengthened by the coherent witness testimony which confirm the general description of the UAP

as a fiery reddish/orange orb shape. The reports of anomalous movements are relatively consistent. The crew were not alarmed by this phenomenon and took now concerned actions, in some cases they continued with their work. Derek Smith estimated that he believed the object was witnessed by at least forty people during the incident, potentially over a hundred. There are some inconsistencies within the case such as the length of time of the UAP over the vessel etc. This might potentially be explained through faulty memory over the eighteen years since the incursion. The major issue within this case is that no photos or videos are available meaning we are left with testimony.

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The UAP Orb/Sphere display possible 'anti-gravity,' (no obvious signs of propulsion for lift or thrust), instantaneous acceleration, however none of the other 'five AATIP observables' were reportedly displayed by the UAP.

2). Poor holistic case data, ageing case makes it difficult to get accurate information.

3). More data is needed to conclude with a high degree of confidence.

4). Witness testimony (corroboration of three) is enough to give the case validity, but simply not enough additional data to determine origin in this case.

Working Hypothesis: Unusual Weather Phenomena, Weather Balloon, St. Elmo's Fire, Ball Lightning, Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, Other.

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Case Report: #GLP014

The USS Nimitz Encounters

The USS Nimitz incursions in 2004 is the most famous and most important Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP)/Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) case in history and was fully revealed to the world by The New York Times (5). It will always be remembered as the first 'UAP case' and is the incident which made the world realise that the technology involved was not Russian, Chinese or possibly even human made. Essentially, nobody had that technology in the early 21st century. Without the testimony of Lieutenant Commander David Fravor, Lieutenant Commander Alex Dietrich (who would come forward some years later in 2021), Lieutenant James Slaight, Lieutenant Colonel Kurth and Lieutenant Commander Chad Underwood as well as USS Princeton officers Senior Chief Kevin Day (Antiair Warfare Coordinator CG-59 USS Princeton), Chief Master-At-Arms Sean Cahill, Petty Officer Jason Turner (CG-59 USS Princeton), Petty Officer Patrick Hughes (Aviation Technician VAW-117 USS Nimitz), Petty Officer Gary Voorhis (Fire Controlman CG-59 USS Princeton) and others aboard the various Nimitz nuclear strike group vessels, we would never have become aware of the UAP issue. On this basis, it was important to include the USS Nimitz + 'Tic-Tac' case as an update.

Case Report: The USS Nimitz Encounters (Updated)
Case ID: #GLP014
Type: Military incursion
Date: 10-16th of November, 2004
Location: Pacific Ocean, 80 nautical miles from the West Coast of San Diego.

Incident:

Leading up to the incident of November 14th, the USS Princeton radar operator Kevin Day had previously reported unidentified objects moving slowly in groups of 5 to 10 at a time, near to San Clemente Island which was off the West Coast of San Diego. The anomalous objects were at an elevation of 28,000 feet, moving at a speed of approximately 120 knots. Day would describe the objects as they dropped down quickly before darting back up. The UAP reportedly were able to drop from 80'000 ft to 20'000 ft

instantaneously within what radar reports described as being 0.78 seconds.

On Sunday the 14th of November, 2004, the nuclear strike group USS Nimitz was off the Southwest Coast of San Diego when the main incursion occurred into sensitive military airspace. One unknown object entered the controlled location and was tracked by the USS Princeton's radar.

It was on a clear day between the hours of 12:00 and 13:00, that Navy Pilots were sent out from the USS Nimitz and directed towards an unidentified anomalous object. As they engaged the UAP, Commander David Fravor, of the Black Aces squadron, described the object as 40ft long, white in colour and resembled a 'Tic-Tac' (named after the candy by Lt. Chad Underwood). The 'Tic-Tac' was able to hover and move abruptly without any signs of standard aviation propulsion such as wings, rotary blades, thrust, etc. On approach, the 'Tic-Tac' was engaged by Fravor in his FA/18 while Dietrich in the other FA/18 stayed high above.

The first fighter FA/18 aircraft was piloted by Commander David Fravor, commanding officer of Strike Fighter Squadron 41, and assisted by his Weapon Systems Officer (WSO) in the back seat. The second FA/18 fighter plane was piloted by Lt. Alex Dietrich and her WSO in the back seat. All pilots were in an unarmed training routine aboard two FA/18 Super Hornets in a routine combat exercise when the incident occurred.

Engaging the 'Tic-Tac', Cmdr. Fravor began a circular descent to approach the object, but he claimed the 'Tic-Tac' was intentionally avoiding any short-range dogfight radar lock-on with "*impossible*" manoeuvres that made any engagement of the FA/18 difficult. As Fravor got closer and descended, he reported that the object began ascending along a curved path too, maintaining some distance from his FA/18, mirroring his own trajectory on the opposite side of the circle flight path. Fravor then made a more aggressive manoeuvre, plunging his fighter and aimed the nose below the object, but at this point he said that the UAP reacted and took off with tremendous acceleration. The 'Tic-Tac' was out of sight in less than two seconds, leaving the pilots "*pretty weirded out*". The object was then reported to be 60 miles away instantly at the Pilot's CAP point which was only known to the Navy personnel and their systems.

Following Fravor and Dietrich's flight to engage the UAP, they landed back upon the USS Nimitz and a second set of aircraft took off in search of the object. This time Lt. Chad Underwood captured the 'Tic-Tac' from the forward-looking infrared gun camera after being vectored towards it by the

USS Princeton's radar system.

Underwood captured the UAP on gun camera video. This is known as the 'FLIR1' video and is about 30 seconds without any audio attached. As Underwood's team approached the 'Tic-Tac' object, the UAP then accelerated instantaneously away and evaded the targeting-lock.

Possible explanations:

Misidentified seagulls have been proposed as an explanation for the 'Tic-Tac' UAP. Some debunkers have tried to argue that the 'FLIR1' object isn't the same object as what the Navy Pilots reported despite the 'Tic-Tac' not loosing radar track by the USS Princeton. Others have argued that pilots Fravor, Dietrich, Slaight, Underwood were all mistaken with their observations and that trained pilots don't make good observers. Also, it was suggested that the unidentified object in the 'FLIR1' video was a distant plane and that the radar tracks were a result of faulty machinery returning false data.

Others such as famed Astronomer Neil DeGrasse Tyson argued against the 'extra-terrestrial hypothesis' in relation to this case and video. Tyson stated that if these UFOs (indirectly referring to the USS Nimitz case) are alien and visiting Earth, why are they only visiting Navy Pilots? He also makes the point that there are three billion smart phones with cameras, so why aren't they being recorded?

On a more serious note, we must consider the possibility of advanced foreign drone technology by an adversary that has leap frogged the United States. The potential for 'black budget' American technology would be ruled out in the Preliminary UAP Task Force report in 2021. In this case, based on the displayed advanced technology, we must also consider that the 'Tic-Tac' is genuinely anomalous technology of unknown origin – extra-terrestrial, ultra-terrestrial, inter-dimensional, etc.

Analysis:

This case is unique. It is primarily a military encounter that is publicly well known. The data captured in this case report involves gun-camera footage, radar data and multiple military witnesses including fighter pilots within the FA/18s. The case along with the 'FLIR1' gun camera video footage was reported by The New York Times in December 2017. According to radar operator Kevin Day, the 'Tic-Tacs' (plural) are reported to have dropped down from 80'000ft (and beyond) to 20'000ft in 0.78 seconds which would class as 'transmedium' travel as they pass through differing sections of

Earth’s dense atmosphere.

In response to the debunkers, it must be noted that the multiple pilots in the USS Nimitz case did not report seeing a seagull. Claims that pilots don’t make good observers is incorrect and false. In response to Neil DeGrasse Tyson’s claims, he fails to consider that the Department of Defense's (DoD) classification of origin for these UAP (UFOs) is ‘unidentified’, not extra-terrestrial. There is no current evidence to categorically conclude that these UAP are extra-terrestrials by specific definition, or any other hypothetical theory of origin. Additionally, the extra-terrestrial claim has only been made by Tyson and thus he is debating his own flawed ideology.

The object and UAP case fit the criteria for Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena that include ‘instantaneous acceleration’, ‘hypersonic velocities’, ‘low observability’, ‘transmedium travel’, and ‘positive lift/anti-gravity’. Despite poor attempts to debunk the case, the alternative explanations haven’t confidently provided an adequate terrestrial explanation. Additionally, much more details have come forward since 2018 (time of writing the original UAPinfo report), that ensure the high significance of the Nimitz case. This is one of the only UAP case reports in which we can confidently conclude, with high confidence, the very real potential of anomalous technology.

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The UAP(s) displayed ‘instantaneous acceleration’, ‘anti-gravity’, ‘hypersonic velocity,’ ‘trans-medium travel.’

2). The USS Nimitz 2004 case is the first officially verified public case of a UAP that deploys multiple military sensory data, and military testimony. It is the most detailed and accurately sourced case to date.

3). Due to the wealth of substantiated data and verification by the DoD, this is arguably the only case to date that is close to attaining the ‘Anomalous’ (non-human) classification.

4). More data is needed prior to making a formal conclusion on origin.

Working Hypothesis: Official Department of Defense classification of ‘Unidentified’. Potentially Anomalous Phenomena. Russian/Chinese technology. Drones. Other.

Case Report: #GLP015

The Roosevelt Incursions

The Roosevelt Incursions occurred over 2014 and 2015 and lasted up until the strike group deployed for Syria in the Middle East. The case data is a combination of military witnesses and the famous 'GIMBAL' Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) video released to The New York Times in December 2017. This military case was significant with pilots coming forward in classified briefings across 2018 and then openly to The New York Times in 2019. The pilots who filmed the 'Flying Disc/Spinning Top' were reluctant to come forward in 2019 to speak openly about the case. In the March of 2022 I was unsuccessful in asking former Navy Pilot Ryan Graves if his colleagues who filmed the GIMBAL object would reconsider coming forward anonymously. The case, at time of writing, is a major part of the public's interest in UAP, and yet contains so few details.

Case Report: The Roosevelt Incursions
Case ID: #GLP015
Type: Military incursion
Date: 2014-2015
Location: East Coast of Jacksonville, Florida, United States.

Incident:

On the East Coast of America in 2014 through to 2015, the United States military were reporting unusual activity of various objects. The main reports included UAP such as 'Flying Discs/Spinning tops'. Also reported were greyish/black Cube objects that were encased in translucent spheres with the edge of the cubes touching the boundaries of the inner spheres. The diameter of the 'Cubes within Spheres' was between 15-20 feet. Five Navy Pilots reported to The New York Times in 2019 that small 'Cubes encased within Spheres' were operating in their designated training areas, and on one occasion a cube flew closely between two Navy aircraft causing a near miss (6). These incidents occurred down the East Coast of the United States, and in particular, a protected area of coastline known as warning area (W-72). Also, they occurred off the East Coast of Jacksonville, Florida, which has become a UAP hot-spot for encounters.

WEDNESDAY

21st of January, 2015

‘*GIMBAL’*

Two videos captured by the gun camera of an F/A-18 squadron were allegedly taken on 21/01/2015. The two videos known as ‘GIMBAL’ and ‘GO-FAST’ were taken in the restricted area by unknown pilots. It was confirmed to me in 2022 by Navy Pilot Ryan Graves that both videos were taken by the “*Same aircrew, same flight, same night. I actually wasn’t aware of that fact initially, but it was confirmed by DoD though I don’t have the source readily available.”* (7)

Thanks to an upgrade in their technology, the updated radar systems within the aircraft allowed for closer sensory awareness of UAP, and consequently, the pilots were able to zero in with infrared targeting cameras. In one specific incident, Navy Pilots chased a ‘Disc/Spinning Top’ object as it flew in unison with a fleet of five ‘Cubes within Spheres’ - although the short 30 second GIMBAL video (known as *GIMBLE* on DD1910 form) doesn’t show the fleet of cubes or what happened before or after (Lt. Graves would in 2022 confirm that the full GIMBAL video length was over 4 minutes).

That same night, the same squadron captured another UAP as it moved quickly across the ocean and was known as the ‘GO-FAST’ video. There is around 16 minutes between the end of the GO-FAST video ending and GIMBAL video starting. It is thought these two videos might be part of the same longer video, but this has not been confirmed.

The full details of these two videos have not been made public and the ‘GO-FAST’ video provided no clear details of the UAP involved.

Testimony of Former Navy Pilot Lieutenant Ryan Graves

“As viewed from the Situation Awareness page, the GIMBAL object appeared to be ‘behind’ a wedge formation of 4-6 objects that were flying in a straight-line path for a period of time. From the appearance of their radar tracks, they appeared similar to my eye as the ‘cube in a sphere’ objects we’d see regularly. I say this as their Target Aspect indicator seemed a bit jittery- as if the radar had difficulty determining which way the vehicle was pointing even though they were proceeding in a straight line. Eventually, the wedge formation began a turn. The vehicles turned similar to an aircraft, where they

had a radius of turn. This is in contrast to the GIMBAL object which reversed its direction with no turn. The turn of the wedge formation, if I remember correctly, was not a 'clean' formation turn. The vehicles seemed to break formation to a certain extent but reposition to their original formation as they rolled out on the opposite heading. The GIMBAL object was stationary (as seen in the video) as the turn was executed. Once the wedge formation completed the turn and was flowing in the opposite direction, the GIMBAL object rotated as seen in the video. After the video was cut, the GIMBAL began to flow behind the wedge formation. For the record, after seeing 100s of aircraft and countless other air and ground-based objects through the FLIR1, I have never seen anything like GIMBAL. I think it's clear the Aircrew in the video feel the same way".

- Ryan Graves, Twitter (2021) (8).

<u>Assessing alternative explanations</u>

The main alternative theory was proposed by Mick West who stated the object in GIMBAL was a distant plane. The seeming rotation effect from the object was an artefact of the Advanced Targeting Forward-Looking Infrared (ATFLIR) and the lighting glare from the distant plane's engine, which obscures the body of the plane due to the distance (proposed 30 miles).

Lt. Ryan Graves stated that the pilots involved were capable of identifying all types of aircraft and essentially, they know what they are doing (9).

"The aircrew that night were paired because they were the two most tactical LT's in the squadron… if not the airwing. And they have awards to prove it. When they report they flew right up to 'the thing'(GIMBAL) and were 6-8nm away, I have very high confidence in that testimony".

- Ryan Graves, Twitter (2022)

The biggest problem with the 'distant plane/no-rotation' hypothesis is that it ignores the testimony of the pilots which state the GIMBAL object was a 'Flying Disc/Spinning Top' and was followed by the 'Cubes within Spheres'. Additionally, the GIMBAL case was identified in the redacted UAP Task Force (UAPTF)/DNI report from 2021, and the details remain classified. Meaning we don't know what happened before or after the 30 second video or why the shape of it would be classified in an official government report.

Some have tried to explain the ‘Cubes within Spheres’ as radar reflectors due to their similar shape, however the static performance of radar reflectors do not match the reported ‘Cube’ objects ability to move and turn in unison.

The Navy Pilots have refuted the claims that GIMBAL was a distant plane caused by a lighting effect of the ATFLIR sensor. Additionally, the black ‘Cubes within Spheres’ which were stated to be 15-20 feet in diameter (10) were reported almost daily by Grave’s squadron from 2014 through to 2015 (6). This might rule out the potential for pilots to be seeing radar reflectors daily and then not identify them as such.

Analysis:

The Roosevelt incursions (2014/15) rely heavily on the data/testimony of the Navy Pilots who came forward in 2019. Without clear details of the GIMBAL or GO-FAST videos and the lack of substantial testimony of additional Navy Pilots or further DoD clarification, the Roosevelt incursion case is limited. Additionally, this lack of sensory array data means we might tentatively consider neurological or psychological explanations, or the low possibility of a hoax. We might consider misidentifications of airspeed, manoeuvres, shape, size, and distance of the ‘Flying Disc/Spinning top’ object in the GIMBAL video. We also would need to consider an anomalous (non-human) technology, however, we should be careful over assigning any origin of UAP (ultra-terrestrials, extra-terrestrials, etc) with limited case data available. The case is potentially a genuine representation of anomalous technology, however we need more data to fully rule out alternative explanations.

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The UAP of GIMBAL and GO-FAST display possible ‘anti-gravity,’ technology (no discernible signs of propulsion for lift or thrust) however none of the other ‘five AATIP observables’ were reportedly displayed by the UAP in the two videos.

2). Despite the limited additional data reported in this case, GIMBAL is one of the most well-known mainstream videos of a potential UAP.

3). More data is needed to conclude with a high degree of confidence. No assertion of origin can be assigned to GO-FAST due to the complete lack of

information – which is considered classified.

Working Hypothesis: Official Department of Defense classification of ‘Unidentified’. Potentially Anomalous Phenomena. Psychological/Neurological effects. Misidentified Aircraft. Other.

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Case Report: #GLP016

The W-72 East Coast Incursions

The W-72 case from the East Coast of America occurred in the March of 2019. The three commonly known encounters revolve around the Navy fighter pilots squadron 32 (VFA-32) who flew from Airbase Oceana. Photos were taken of a 'Silver Blimp' an 'Acorn' and a 'Sphere'. Leaked information about the encounters was released by investigative journalist George Knapp + Jeremy Corbell (11), Tim McMillan (12) and myself for the metadata (13). These objects were some of the first verified objects investigated by the UAP Task Force at the time in 2019.

Case Report: The W-72 East Coast Incursions
Case ID: #GLP016
Type: Military incursion
Date: 04th of March, 2019
Location: East Coast of the United States, 30'000 ft.

Incident:

An unknown Fighter Pilot from Squadron 32 (F/A-18) and his/her back-seater (Weapon Systems Officer - WSO) encountered a 'Sphere' in the highly restricted W-72 area of the East Coast of America. A photo of the 'Sphere' was taken by the back-seater of the aircraft which was released by George Knapp on the Mystery Wire website in April, 2021 (11). According to the metadata of the pilot's iPhone - that I released to *The Unidentified* website in 2020 with specific times (12) - the initial encounter occurred on the 04th of March, 2019 at 14:44.

After the 'Sphere' encounter at 14:44, the pilots came across another object in the same area. This time the object resembled a metallic looking 'Acorn', and this was engaged at 15:02 by the same pilots - some 18 minutes later (metadata on the Acorn iPhone picture was released by The Debrief in 2020 along with their own version of the Acorn photo). Additionally, George Knapp would release a different photo of the same Acorn object in 2021, following on from T*he Debrief* photo in December 2020.

Finally, the same pilots of squadron 32 would encounter a shiny metal looking ‘Blimp’ at 15:16 some 14 minutes after the Acorn encounter. All three of the encounters occur within roughly 32 minutes of each other. It has not been established if the three objects of ‘Sphere, Acorn and Blimp’ are the same object or different objects, and as no radar data or pilot testimony has been made available to the public we are limited in our assessment.

The Debrief confirmed that the Department of Defense officials stated the Acorn leaked photo they released *‘is the same photo provided in a 2018 intelligence report issued by the UAPTF’* (12).

*Although the UAP Task Force (UAPTF)/UAP report was initially formulated in 2018 it is thought that the W-72 case was included at a later time.

Additionally, McMillan stated that the Acorn object that the military pilots encountered at 15:02 was *‘hovering or completely motionless’*. Also, it was at an altitude of 30,000 to 35,000 feet and roughly 1,000 feet away from the fighter jet (12). Knapp reported that the UAP Task Force considered the objects to be able to remain stationary in high winds which is considered beyond the abilities of balloons or drones (11).

Possible explanations:

Balloons must be considered as a high probability in this case, particularly with focus upon high altitude weather balloons which can operate within upper atmospheric pressures. Children’s balloons might also be considered but the dynamics of shape and endurance make it less feasible than high altitude balloons. The pilots possibly might have mistaken what the objects were, and simply might have been identifiable with more data.

Analysis:

Poor holistic data openly exists for each of the three objects encountered by the fighter pilots. No radar data available to analyse – no understanding of origin or destination. No additional videos or photos have been made available to the public. No openly available pilot testimony accompanies this case beyond the anonymous sources vetted by the Debrief and Mystery Wire.

The three photos are reported to be of different objects encountered within 32 minutes by the same squadron and using the same iPhone. As reported by Knapp, the three objects are found in the same location as the 2014/15 Roosevelt incursions (which included Flying Discs and Cubes within Spheres). The W-72 case was reported to be part of a classified briefing.

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) - Sphere/Acorn/Blimp display possible 'anti-gravity,' (no obvious signs of propulsion for lift or thrust against high winds) however none of the other 'five AATIP observables' were reportedly displayed by the UAP. However, there is no openly available data to suggest these objects are UAP technology.

2). Poor holistic case data.

3). More data is needed to conclude with a high degree of confidence.

Working Hypothesis: Official Department of Defense classification of 'Unidentified'. Potentially Anomalous Phenomena. Unnamed Aerial Systems (drones). Psychological/Neurological effects. Misidentified Aircraft. Balloons. Other.

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Case Report: #GLP017

The USS Omaha ‘Sphere’

As part of the July 2019 military incursion off the West Coast of the United States, the ‘Omaha Sphere’ case contains good footage of an unknown object which was confirmed as genuine by the Department of Defense in 2021 after the case was leaked by Jeremy Corbell. This case involves a series of alleged unknown objects that operated in controlled military airspace from the July of 2019. These cases are known as the ‘West Coast Encounters’. Other incursions at the time involved the USS Paul Hamilton, USS Russell, USS Kidd, USS John Finn, USS Pinckney, and the USS Rafael Peralta alongside other non-military vessels such as the ORV Alguita, Bass Strait, Sigma Triumph, and a cruise ship by the name of the Carnival Imagination. This case is one that involves unidentified objects as they buzzed a nuclear strike group. The case was first published by The Drive website who obtained FOIA information about the incursions and formulated a timeline of events (14) (15) (16). Researcher Dave Beaty was also able to uncover vital information about this case and was the first to report on the West Coast incursions (17) followed by Danny Silva (18). Additional leaked information about the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) encounters was released by investigative journalist George Knapp and filmmaker Jeremy Corbell in 2021 (19) and made headline news (20) (21) (22).

Case Report: The USS Omaha ‘Sphere’
Case ID: #GLP017
Type: Military incursion
Date: 15th of July, 2019
Time: 23:00 (Local time, EST)
Location: West Coast of the United States. (32°29'21.9” N 119°21'53.0” W)

Incident:

On the second night of the 2019 West Coast incursions (first wave), the USS Omaha was said to have been engaged by multiple objects in a location West of San Diego. On Monday July 15th, between the hours of 9pm - 11pm

(local time), it was reported by Corbell and Knapp that a minimum of 14 solid mass targets measuring a minimum 6ft in diameter '*swarmed'* the USS Omaha. The objects operated with varying speeds ranging from 46 mph to 158 mph with their flights lasting over an hour in total. The unknown 'Spheres' are said to have been detected on more than two types of RADAR. The objects were reported to be self-illuminating. It is alleged to be documented within the intelligence reports that the 'spherical craft' appeared to have transmedium abilities and were observed on camera descending into the water without destruction. It is also reported by Corbell that the intelligence reports regarding the 'Omaha Sphere' object could not be found upon entry to the water - that a submarine was used in the search - and recovered nothing (19). The USS Omaha Sphere footage is unclassified, and the object is officially 'unidentified'. The pictures and video of the Omaha Sphere are reported to have been included in the May 1st, 2020, UAP Task Force (UAPTF) intelligence briefing by the Office of Naval Intelligence. The deck logs for the USS Omaha are deemed to be missing, or never completed for that night in question.

Possible explanations:

A deflating balloon is a viable explanation for consideration. Despite the fact there was no sign of the wreckage afterwards, this doesn't mean to say that they simply couldn't find the balloon wreckage, which may have sunk. Drones are also strongly associated with the West Coast incursions, however no known drone has a cylindrical shape as with the Omaha 'Spheres'.

Analysis:

This case is significantly hindered by a lack of data from witness testimony from Navy personnel. The video provided is grainy and clear definitions are not made available. The issue becomes about over classification and the stigma associated with coming forward. The information which is needed to verify this case is simply not available at time of investigation (June, 2022). Following the leaks from the 2019 West Coast incursions, we know heavier classification was placed upon military Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) cases making it difficult to obtain FOIAs.

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The UAP ‘Sphere’ displayed possible ‘anti-gravity,’ (no obvious signs of propulsion for lift or thrust) and ‘Transmedium’ technology as it entered the water, however none of the other ‘five AATIP observables’ were reportedly displayed by the UAP.

2). Poor holistic case data.

3). More data is needed to conclude with a high degree of confidence.

4). There is simply not enough data to determine origin in this case. No specific details of the UAP have been provided.

Working Hypothesis: Unidentified: Unmanned Aerial Systems, Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, Drones, Misidentified Aircraft, Other.

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Case Report: #GLP018

The USS Russell ‘Pyramids’

As part of the July 2019 military incursion off the West Coast of the United States, the ‘Russell Pyramids’ case contains indiscernible footage of unknown objects that have been confirmed as genuine by the Department of Defense in 2021 after the case was leaked by Jeremy Corbell (23). This case involves a series of alleged unknown objects that operated in controlled military airspace from the July of 2019. However, the true nature and origin of these objects is still disputed. These cases are known as the ‘West Coast Incursions’. Other incursions at the time involved the USS Paul Hamilton, USS Russell, USS Kidd, USS John Finn, USS Pinckney, and the USS Rafael Peralta alongside other non-military vessels such as the ORV Alguita, Bass Strait, Sigma Triumph and a cruise ship by the name of the Carnival Imagination. This case is one that involves unidentified objects as they buzzed a nuclear strike group. The case was first published by The Drive website who obtained FOIA information about the incursions and formulated a timeline of events (14) (15) (16). Researcher Dave Beaty was also able to uncover vital information about this case and was the first to report the West Coast incursions (17) followed by Danny Silva (18). Leaked information about the specific USS Russell incursions was released by investigative journalist George Knapp and filmmaker Jeremy Corbell (23).

Case Report: The USS Russell ‘Pyramids’
Case ID: #GLP018
Type: Military incursion
Date: 15th of July, 2019
Location: West Coast of the United States

Incident:

During what is now considered the West Coast incursions of July 2019, the USS Russell was operating in proximity to other ‘Strike Group 9’ Navy Vessels: USS Paul Hamilton, USS Omaha, USS Kidd, USS John Finn, USS Pinckney, and the USS Rafael Peralta. They were roughly 100 miles from the coast of San Diego within a very restricted warning area.

On the 15th of July, 2019, the USS Russell reported incursions into their airspace by objects of unknown origin. Some of these objects are reported to have been 700ft above the deck of the USS Russell and observed by multiple sensors. The Drive provided an expertly detailed account of the incursions that night which included the ship's deck logs (14) which they received via FOIA.

Deck log of the USS Russell

21:15 - Multiple drones spotted
21:26 - Drone spotted moving left to right
21:28 - Drone spotted moving forward to AFT
21:31 - Drone spotted moving left to right
21:38 - Drone spotted 1000ft elevation
21:40 - Drone spotted 900ft elevation (2 nautical miles out)
21:42 - Drone spotted 700ft elevation
21:52 - Drone spotted moving left to right
23:51 - Drone spotted forward to AFT

Just prior to the USS Russell incursions, the USS Rafael Peralta reported the unknown objects and deployed its SNOOPIE team at 20:39. During the USS Russell incursions at around the time 21:20, the USS Kidd deck logs stated that multiple Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) were around their ship and thus they deployed their own SNOOPIE team to investigate. The Drive reported that at 21:23 the Carnival Imagination – a passing civilian cruise ship – could see drones but confirmed they didn't originate from themselves. At 21:46 the USS Peralta stated that two Unmanned Aerial systems (UAS) were reported off the starboard wing of their vessel, then six minutes later (21:52) they report in their deck log that four UAVs were sighted off the starboard bridge wing.

Over the two days between the 14th and 15th of July 2019, there were hundreds of drone sightings from multiple Navy vessels, most of which contained inconsistent reporting of either UAV, UAS, or drones. At no point do the deck logs state that there are 'Pyramids' when describing the objects, and the deck logs for the USS Omaha are missing/not completed from that period.

Wednesday 17th – Tuesday 23rd of July, 2019

The USS Russell would again report drones as the incursions continued (16) after the first sequence of events. The drive reported that on the 20th of July, 2019, that the USS Russell instigated an initial counter UAS exercise, firing a 5-inch naval gun – used as an anti-UAS weapon.

On the 23rd of July, 2019, there were further reports of a UAS that was spotted by a SNOOPIE team at an elevation of about 400 feet and therefore 'Ghostbusters' (counter UAS devices/weapons) were deployed. Although there was no official documentation of anything being brought down, drones or otherwise.

Tuesday 30th of July, 2019

The USS Russell had a reported incursion with a UAS at 09:32, and then is shown to have heavily redacted deck logs from 01:58 – 02:30. Whatever happened or was reported in those 32 minutes was classified.

Briefings 01st of May, 2020

The details of this case were the result of intelligence briefings which occurred Friday, 01st of May, 2020. The USS Russell is reported to have observed and recorded multiple 'Pyramid' shaped craft, despite the briefing slides referring to the objects as Unmanned Aerial systems (UAS) and triangular in shape – from apparent angle of observation. The objects still have no officially determined origin or final destination.

In the leaked Corbell video, and with the two videos released by the Drive after a FOIA request, green triangles are seen by the SNOOPIE team hovering over the USS Russell. Within the two FOIA videos, which were released in 2022 by the Drive (25), both show a time difference in filming of about seven hours between them.

Video One:
Zulu Time: 04:24
"…4 probable unidentified drones operating at 1000 yards and holding."

Video Two:
Zulu Time: 09:37
"…visual of 1 possible UAS, contacts operating at a range of 4000 yards - flashing green, red and white solid lights."

Interesting that the SNOOPIE team describe green, red and white lights although these are not visible in the videos. All three videos are short, and least under a minute each. The shape of the objects appear triangular, and all face the same direction.

Possible explanations:

The strongest explanation put forward in this case is a light aberration, specific to the type of camera lens which is used. The result is a 'Bokeh' effect which makes the observed object appear out of focus and in a specific shape – aka, triangles, in this case. The absence of observed red, green and white lights in favour of solid green triangles suggest Bokeh, also the fact all triangles face the same direction in the three videos is also an indicator of a lighting effect.

The head of the OUSDI and the Navy both testified to Congress in an Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) hearing. They stated that the USS Russell video that was leaked by Corbell in 2021 was a possible swarm of drones (24) that appeared triangular in shape due to the 'Bokeh' effect of the camera light. Additionally, two clearer videos were released by *The Drive* (25) that show indistinguishable lights in the shape of triangles. The drone hypothesis (26) for the 2019 West Coast incursions have been strongly pushed through specific media outlets, with some suggesting the mystery has been solved (25). The Hong Kong based *Bass Strait* vessel is suspected of being responsible for the drones, although there are some indications the drone incursions continued after the Bass Strait left the area. Later, the Bass Strait drone explanation would be brought into question by researcher Chris Spitzer (27) who showed objects around the ship thought to be drones were in fact part of the ship itself.

Other criticism of the drone theory have come through the question of why they weren't shot down, like with another case from 2019 in which an Iranian drone was shot down by the USS Boxer after it got too close (28). We

must also examine the flight characteristics of drone technology in both the civilian and military world (29) and understand their capabilities.

Analysis:

This is a very difficult case to navigate and is hindered by multiple issues of access to classified information. The Navy personnel refer to the objects of ‘drones’ but fail to give a description of their propulsion means. The ‘drones’ in this case can endure long flight times, operate a hundred miles from shore with no revealed point of origin or final destination. Either the Navy was able to track the objects back to their location and classified that information, or the objects were anomalous transmedium vehicles and simply disappeared down into the ocean or up into the atmosphere.

The other problematic issue is that the claims made of ‘Pyramids’ come via one source and cannot be verified. Additionally, no witness testimony is available (as of 30/06/2022) and therefore we are left with the official suggestion that these objects are ‘Bokeh’ / light aberrations. There is a possibility that this case might be anomalous in nature however there is limited evidence to suggest this, currently. To fully understand if drones are a valid hypothetical explanation, we need much more detail into the reported characteristics of the West Coast incursion objects and current drone capabilities (30).

Conclusion:

1). Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) classification: The UAP of alleged ‘Pyramids’ would hypothetically display potential ‘anti-gravity,’ (no obvious signs of propulsion for lift or thrust) and possible ‘transmedium’ abilities, however there is very limited data on this.

2). Poor holistic case data.

3). More data is needed to conclude with a high degree of confidence.

4). There is simply not enough data to determine origin in this case. No specific details of the ‘UAS’ were given at the time of the incursions beyond

‘flashing red, green and white lights’.

5). Very difficult case to evaluate, based on relevant information not being made available. Short videos and a lack of testimony significantly hinders this case.

Working Hypothesis: Unidentified: Unmanned Aerial Systems, Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, Unidentified/Unmanned Aerial systems - Drones, Misidentified Aircraft, Other.

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UAP Case Report Conclusions

The Case Reports that involved military and Navy incursions by potential Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) are paramount to the UAP initiative. Without the recorded documentation, testimony, and videos there would be no requirement for Congressional oversight committees to reform legislation and to fully investigate the anomalous phenomena. The East and West Coast incursions that occurred across 2004, 2014/15 and 2019 are some of the best evidence that anomalous technology is real. Currently, all cases that we have investigated and documented as a report are officially classified as ‘Unidentified’ by the Navy and the DoD. Whilst we are limited by a multitude of significant data which critically impedes our ability to analyse and conclude within the UAP case reports, a governing investigative body should have access to a range of corroborative data sets to determine origin. We have it on very good authority that these incursions occur frequently to this day and are being reported and used in briefings to Congress.

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Chapter Seven: The Pentagon walks back AATIP

The Pentagon's on-again-off-again Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) was a problem for the UAP-Obfuscators within the Department of Defense (DoD). Granted it was a smaller, more focused version of the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), but its internal DNA made it a clear threat to revealing the secrecy of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). Spearheaded by Senator Harry Reid in 2007, these secret UFO programs (1) investigated Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP), and specifically focused on an unknown technology potentially under the control of non-human intelligences. When some of the UAP Obfuscators within the DoD uncovered such efforts, they attempted to shut down both programs, took the money intended for AAWSAP and attempted to ruin the career of Dr. James Lacatski (Director of AAWSAP). Due to the fact these programs were shrouded in secrecy, obscurity and classification, it became very easy for UAP Obfuscators to simply take apart the effort and re-direct funding. To some it was a matter of religious ideology, others it was a threat to what they were doing, and then to some it was an embarrassment. Regardless, AAWSAP and AATIP could not be allowed to stand overtly or even covertly. The UAP Obfuscators had stigma and disbelief on their side and most importantly they had a means of *secrecy*. Arguably, it was the veil of secrecy that allowed these people to operate without oversight or accountability. So, as you might imagine the sudden thrust of AATIP and UAP into the mainstream didn't come easy for the UAP 'secret keepers' and obfuscators. At this point we must acknowledge that there is no open evidence that any Special Access Programs (SAPs) exist which deal with UFOs – although there have been multiple witnesses to testify such secret investigations existed. Therefore, we must be careful to make claims by which we cannot prove. What we can verify is that there were two UFO programs at the turn of the 21st Century that operated with DoD. Remember, for almost a year and a half (Dec 2017 – Jun 2019) the DoD had acknowledged that AATIP was being headed by the then director confirmed Luis Elizondo. To you and me in the civilian world, 18 months is a fair amount of time, but on a slow stream government

timeframe, this was a flash in the pan.

Why is timing important?

Well, we can look at the planned AATIP situation from two perspectives, one is that a small group within DoD needed time to refocus efforts once they learned that Mr. Elizondo and others were telling the world that UAP technology existed. Possibly, it took them a year and a half to get together a strategy. The other perspective is that this small band of mercenaries within DoD were prepped and ready to go relatively quickly, however, something was stopping them from acting sooner with input into the Public Affairs Office. Some have argued that when General Mattis resigned from his post as Defense Secretary in the December of 2018 over issues with Syria (2), it left a small gap in the door, but large enough for the narrative to be changed. Obviously, there is nothing beyond Mattis' connection to Elizondo to verify this and should be treated as speculation. The truth is we don't know who exactly who was behind the strike back or the agencies/organisations they represented, but we do know that the stance of the Pentagon on AATIP/AAWSAP and Elizondo changed in the summer of 2019 onwards. Some people in DoD wanted to take it all off the table - *AATIP, AAWSAP, UAP and Elizondo*. The battle lines had been forged and we were about to be shelled heavily for the first time.

Death from above.

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SATURDAY

01st of June, 2019.

'Death from above.'

By June, the 'UAP Obfuscators' – an unsavoury assortment of D.C. bureaucrats and DoD fledglings - had became organised and moved on the UAP initiative. A new statement was authorised from within the dark depths and received by the reliably ever trusted source of John Greenewald. This time the Empire had struck back hard, and also under the journalistic intentions of a one Mr. Keith Kloor. A name I recognised instantly and had come across myself through email exchanges leading up to the Intercept article (3). For the second time in 2019, we see confirmation from the

Pentagon that AATIP was a UAP program, however, they now had walked back their claim (from 2017-2019) that Luis Elizondo was the Director or had any responsibilities under the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) - later renamed in 2019 to USDI and then later still to OUSDI(&S). The intelligence oversight department seemingly change their name almost as many times as they changed their position on Elizondo and AATIP. In an exchange, Pentagon spokesperson Christopher Sherwood confirmed that Elizondo wasn't involved at all with AATIP, despite clarifying at the same time that AATIP was a UAP program.

'…. Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI…'

- Keith Kloor, The Intercept (2019).

This was the first time that the Pentagon moved to change its position and walk back their previous claims from 2017 that Luis Elizondo was with the UAP program or headed it. Essentially, they took him out of the equation by claiming that he had 'no responsibilities' with regards to AATIP, (and with it, anything he may or may not say about the UAP reality). This was a stark contrast to what multiple testimony had claimed previously and caused a lot of controversy, not least in light of the fact there was enough evidence to place Elizondo at AATIP. And yet, Pentagon spokesperson Chris Sherwood was told that AATIP was a UAP program, and this was for a second time following the first acknowledgment to Steven Greenstreet earlier.

What data were they accessing to determine these claims? What data did they access to suddenly, after 18 months, now change their position on Luis Elizondo? At that point we all thought it was a simple mistake and that it would be rectified shortly. Even POLITICO journalist Bryan Bender would acknowledge he had vetted Elizondo thoroughly and this would be rectified shortly. Hal Puthoff (the confirmed AATIP and AAWSAP physicist) also verified his position and reached out to Alejandro Roja.

'*Via email Dr. Hal Puthoff says he thinks the @theintercept article was a hit piece. He writes: "Documentation otherwise is dense. I reported to him (Elizondo) often in the Pentagon as an AATIP contractor."*

- Hal Puthoff via Alejandro Rojas, Twitter (2019).

Subsequently, *'Attachment 1'* a document that was confirmed as genuine by

John Greenewald via the Pentagon's Public Affairs Officer (PAO) in 2019 and had initially been released to Twitter by George Knapp. This document confirmed the names of those who were associated and that Luis Elizondo himself was apart of AATIP alongside Dr. Hal Puthoff, and yet somehow the official statement from June was unmoving. John Greenewald of the Blackvault instantly set upon the AATIP attachment and managed to get a quick response from Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough – a name which would become known well throughout #UFOTwitter in later years. This is where things started to get even more strange. In the statement given to the Blackvault, she stated that the memo is genuine that lists special agent Luis Elizondo as part of AATIP, alongside contractor Dr. Hal Puthoff and Sen. Harry Reid. Pentagon spokesperson Gough then goes on to state that he (Elizondo) had no ***assigned*** responsibilities with AATIP, and then says that Elizondo interacted with the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) office running the program at the time it was running but did not lead it. Here Susan Gough would make a later statement to John Greenewald of the Blackvault in 2019 (4).

"….I can confirm that the memo you are referring to is authentic….

….it makes no change to previous statements, Mr. Elizondo had no assigned responsibilities for AATIP while he was in OUSD(I)."

- Susan Gough, via The Blackvault (2019).

The more alarming aspect is that researchers and Ufologists fell for this, hook, line and sinker. The anti-UAP types in Ufology were quick to acknowledge whatever Gough and others had released to the community and without question. One person even went as far as to say we should be grateful for her contribution and to not upset her (or the OUSDI). The question at the time was how can Elizondo have been confirmed to be at AATIP but have no *assigned* responsibilities? Are we seeing a play on words here? Greenewald then reached out to senior physicist Dr. Hal Puthoff, who was on the list as a contractor for AATIP. Here Puthoff makes a statement confirming he reported to Elizondo whilst at AATIP (4).

Additionally, former Senator Harry Reid, who created AATIP and appeared within the AATIP 'Attachment 1', released by George Knapp (5) would confirm the following…

1. AATIP was termed aerospace not aviation.
2. AATIP studied UAP (anomalous technology) and found interesting data.
3. Luis Elizondo was part of AATIP and headed the program.

Here we find a massive discrepancy. A flip-flop by the Pentagon over AATIP and how it was a UAP program (6), and then eventually how it wasn't (4). Amazingly, Susan Gough and the Pentagon was telling the American people something which is completely contradicted by multiple AATIP employees that included the Senator who created the program itself. Researchers were silent at best and negatively vocal at worst, journalists didn't question it because they didn't believe UFOs existed therefore this was a nothing issue. And then there were journalists who cozied up to the PAO for information. No one was taking responsibility for the lies. Not one person was holding the government accountable. The system was broken beyond repair, destined to loop over and over the same stigmatised narrative and spit out anyone who spoke against it.

At the time we didn't understand *how* this was occurring, but over time the truth would reveal itself. There was an effort by the UAP Obfuscators to intentionally deceive and delete information regarding AATIP and Elizondo. It would prove to be a fatal mistake.

To win your war, you must utilise strategy, tactics, and most of all an effective use of propaganda, effectively using players to your advantage, be prepared to be surprised and plan to surprise your enemy and keep your own energy and enthusiasm high. Don't get dejected due to temporary setbacks and failures and most importantly, and most importantly, never interrupt your enemy whilst he is busy making a mistake. Wise words which I can't take credit for. The war for UAP information was playing out before us with the goal being government transparency.

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Conclusions

Without question, there was two very contrasting sides to the fight for UAP information, exposure and oversight. UAP Obfuscators and UAP Progressionists battled it out behind the scenes, in the mainstream media and

across social media to control the narrative over the anomalous phenomena. When Pentagon spokesperson Sherwood reversed the statements that Elizondo worked for AATIP it signalled the beginning of a UAP pushback. First, they would target the head of snake (Elizondo), stopping him from talking about the reality of UFOs, then they would go after the body (AATIP) and kill the threat entirely. The pushback had begun, and the effort was executed perfectly, using career Ufologists and journalists to carry out the kill – people who wouldn't think to even question that it was a lie, people who themselves benefitted from it not being true. What they didn't count on, was one of the journalists they tried to use for the kill had integrity and would start investigating the people in DoD making the AATIP/Elizondo reversal. To amend the quote '*life finds a way'*, from the eccentric and wonderfully written character Dr. Malcolm from the film 1993 Jurassic Park, we can potentially say '*truth finds a way'*.

Eventually.

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Chapter Eight: The UAP incursions of 2019

In the year of 2019, the *sponsored* Public Affairs Office (PAO) was telling the American public that their Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) program – the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) wasn't ever a UAP program at all and that the once verified director (Mr. Elizondo) held no *assigned* responsibilities with AATIP. They told people UAP technology wasn't real and that they didn't use the *anomalous* terminology to describe unknown objects. People in the Department of Defense (DoD) were not being completely truthful with the American public. This all seemed like a plot line to some obscure Hollywood movie, but shockingly, it was happening. As this *misinformation* turned into disinformation and was being pushed into the mainstream, there were active initiatives to collect UAP data from within the same institution - the DoD - who were pretending that the anomalous didn't exist. At the time, the United States Navy were encountering anomalous phenomena of their East and West coast in 2019, that is a verified fact (see chapter on Case Reports). Some have argued that there was a planned exercise off the West coast to bait the UAP into appearing, although no details have officially been acknowledged on such a claim. We have unsubstantiated information that UAP military incursions on the East and West Coast of the United States have not stopped, and by that we mean that they haven't stopped *to this day*. These things are still here, still buzzing Navy vessels off the West and East Coast. Whatever is doing this, who ever these objects and devices belong to has apparently increased in activity. It is thought that the anomalous phenomena have engaged sensitive military airspace within the last decade, with increasing frequency to the point it cannot be ignored any longer. Again, we have rumours and nothing to verify that such encounters occurred despite speaking to anonymous sources on social media claiming to have been involved.

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FRIDAY

05th of July, 2019
‘Unverified.’

One the major sceptical themes I wrote about in the first book of the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena series was about how civilian cases are inherently flawed. Seventy years of sighting and encounters and not one has been enough to convince the world that Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) are real tangible objects, but potentially non-human in origin. In recent years, the entire issue of UFOs, or as the military now call them Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP), has exploded into the consciousness of the Western world. This hasn’t been due to a civilian case, it has been due to military cases that have leaked out to force legislation change within government. The reason we focus on the USS Nimitz 2004 case or the 2015 USS Roosevelt case over say – the Phoenix Lights case of 1997 – is that Navy Pilots have more credibility than Joe public. We mean no offence to the thousands of credible witnesses who witnesses something anomalous back in 1997. Our point is when American patriots Fravor, Accoin, Slaight, Underwood and Graves say they are experiencing weirdly shaped objects that outperform their FA/18s the public listen. Congress listens. Congress engages. These military guys are straight arrows, they have no books to sell, no UFO conferences to tour on and they wouldn’t hoax a sighting. Most importantly, the testimony of pilots is backed up by a multitude of sensory array data – including clear photos and videos of ‘flying discs’ and ‘tic-tacs’. The importance of the UAP initiative to focus on military cases becomes imperative on that regard. Consequently, the events which were about to occur in the summer of 2019 and off the West Coast of America would become a very significant catalyst.

SUNDAY

07th of July, 2019
‘Brand new old cases.’

Late Sunday evening as the darkness fell over the distant Eston Hills, my mind once again turned to my UFO history books of cases old and new. Early July this time of year is a remembrance of the Roswell incident, which is without doubt the most well-known case in history. It made sense to me to re-watch the 1994 film with Martin Sheen and Kyle MacLachlan that night

and try to understand exactly how an advanced technology can crash in the New Mexico Desert. A question without a suitable answer. Just a point of note, I personally love Roswell and the ambiance behind the story – we just couldn't use it directly on activism efforts due to the associated stigma.

Often, I would sit on a fading weekend and try to grasp what the old cases were telling us. More often than not the cases meant nothing, drowned out from a significant lack of empirical data which could not be verified, could be sourced appropriately and simply could not be trusted. It is one of the reasons I have tried to stay away from quantifying statistical data into handy bar-graphs and pie-charts through regressions models. Simply put, we cannot trust the data as being genuinely anomalous. People are open to mistakes, people are fallible, memories change and are influenced by external content. Witness testimony alone cannot be trusted complicity with 100% accuracy. Specifically civilian testimony isn't backed up by additional data sets.

Researching the military cases held more value for me than civilian cases. Not that the civilian cases have any less historical value, or are any less real, but when dealing with issues of public acceptance it becomes important to have the best sensory data available. The 'margin of error' significantly reduces when dealing with military cases and is arguably more trustworthy in the eyes of the public. In this regard, military cases that encounter anomalous technology are highly prized. Such cases are packed with reliable, honest, trustworthy data that often has a multiple array of sensory data. Such cases are often the result of the most advanced defense technology known to man with some radar systems capable of identifying a baseball from a mile away. These are the pilots, the systems, the technology which has fought and won wars. This technology has all but ensured America is the world's largest superpower since the Second World War. And most importantly, the American people trust this technology to be their best technological defense prowess. American's sleep safely in their beds knowing this technology can identify threats and defend American against hostile nations. This makes it all the more relevant when the claims of 'unidentified' anomalous vehicles come from them. If they cannot identify objects with the most sophisticated sensory defense technology known to man, then we have a problem.

A big problem.

Unverified military cases

One of the biggest problems with military cases comes through unavailable data. The vast majority of UAP case reports are classified, meaning service men and women simply refuse to speak to researchers. Additionally, there is a problem of stigma, with no government professional wanting to ruin their careers over *fringe nonsense*. Also, data which is unclassified is not freely offered to UAP researchers due to military personnel not wanting the negative connotations of coming out and putting their name to little green men. The hostility of a large portion of Ufologists and Debunkers make any platform inhospitable and toxic. Nobody wants to come out and be picked apart, doxed, mocked, and insulted by a mixture of ego-driven psychopaths who think aliens are coming to save them, while others are so desperate to disbelieve that they attack witnesses online and make sure the world doesn't take UFOs seriously. Knowing who to trust in such a field makes it difficult to come forward. We know this, as we have been told this from various sources. While the incursions into military airspace and vessels occurs almost daily – to this very day – we unfortunately are left with very little information when it comes to these military cases. Here are some of the UAP military incursion cases which we still have little to no data on:

1. **The USS Boxer (1998) – West Coast of the United States.**
2. **The USS Bainbridge (2017) – East Coast of the United States.**
3. **The USS Abraham Lincoln (2019?) – Middle East (?)**
4. **The USS Kearsarge Sightings (2021)**

1. The USS Boxer case was apparently verified to researcher Rich Hoffman; however no additional details have ever been disclosed. USS Boxer is thought to be a West Coast case, not far from the 2004 USS Nimitz encounters. What do we know about this case? Very little. We know the USS Boxer (LHD-4) is a Wasp-class amphibious assault ship of the United States Navy. It is the sixth vessel to take the name of the original HMS Boxer - which was captured from the British during the War of 1812. Besides these basic details about the ship, we haven't been able to find anything else unfortunately.

2. The USS Bainbridge (2017) again was apparently verified to researcher Rich Hoffman by Mr. Elizondo, however no additional details

have ever been officially disclosed. It is thought to be an East Coast case and has been researched by Keith Basterfield (1).

3. The USS Abraham Lincoln (2019) was an incursion we know absolutely nothing about. The only reason it receives a mention is that Journalist Tim McMillan was informed that some UAP encounters occurred in 2019. We were able to ascertain the location for the Lincoln throughout most of 2019 was the Middle East (however that is not confirmation of any UAP location encounters).

4. The Navy USS Kearsarge was chased by 'two car-sized balls of light' during an unexplained encounter in 2021, according to a UFO researcher Dave Beaty (2) (3). The warship was reportedly followed by the UFOs while it was on a training exercise off the East Coast in October, filmmaker Dave Beaty told The Sun. According to Beaty's research, two objects were seen near the ship for several nights, with Marines onboard becoming shocked when the Navy's anti-drone 'ghostbusters' did not deter the balls of light.

The reoccurring theme across these military cases is the same old problem: a lack of data - limited times, location, object shape, behaviours, manoeuvres or pilots involved. Both stigma and classification play an important part in the secrecy, issues we will need to remove should we wish to eventually end UAP secrecy. But asking a serious question, how do we begin to understand the true nature of the anomalous when the telling data is withheld from us and placed under severe levels of classification? You might appreciate why Congress was the key to unlocking a door kept firmly shut by unknown actors in a shadowy game of misdirection. It would just take time, and time was something we had plenty of.

At least, that is what we thought.

The Pseudo-Sceptics

One of the sneaky tactics used by the pseudo-sceptic (debunkers) in these UAP cases, was to argue that you (the believer) are claiming UAP/UFOs are extra-terrestrial in origin. They do this for a very specific reason. By labelling UAP as conclusively extra-terrestrial, the pseudo-sceptic is ‘stacking the deck’. They are framing the entire conversation in a way which benefits themselves into a winning position that ultimately negates any further investigation – which is their end goal. For example, the debunker infers that

the believers are claiming the ‘Tic-Tac’ is extra-terrestrial and immediately argues a laundry list of counter arguments to win the debate and shut down interest. Sceptics can easily draw upon Einstein’s theory of Relativity and invoke the issue of vast distances, energy requirements, mass becoming infinite when approaching the speed of light, inappropriate chemical based rocket technology, human biological exposure to radiation to list just a few. These problems are quoted very successfully and have prevented serious scientific thinking toward UFOs. Then there is the age old displacement argument of Neil DeGrasse Tyson who infers human intention onto the proposed extra-terrestrials via anthropocentric thinking – ‘*why would they ever come to Earth and never land to say hello’.*

In reality, the focus of the debate should be about the reported UAP technology without labelling the origin. Instead we can point to the historical UFO data which suggests that these objects have been reported globally in every country since the 1940s, not just Navy Pilots between 2004 and 2015. The position of these UAP have been tracked on radar operating over and within the world’s oceans, and anywhere between 20’000 and 80’000 feet and above. UFOs have also been caught by satellites travelling in Earth’s upper atmosphere.

This brings us to another pseudo-argument of ‘*why aren’t these objects caught on camera’?* Firstly, no smart phone has the camera ability to capture objects at such vast distances, and also there is no data to suggest that UAP land in populated areas (modern day) allowing them to be captured on video. Additionally, any real video that might have captured a genuine anomalous craft and posted to YouTube would probably not be believed due to the dilution effect amongst thousands of CGI hoaxes.

Overall the debunkers are just as bad as true believers, both having a psychological need to enforce their world view upon their target audience. The will to believe and the will to disbelieve are two sides of the same coin. The true believer tries to argue that everything is an alien spacecraft whereas the debunker tries to argue that everything is a bird or a balloon. Neither perspective is helpful to the cause of finding the truth. Sadly, pseudo-debunkers often get mistaken for honest sceptics and misguided believers are often mistakenly pushed to represent anyone remotely interested in UAP. Essentially, we need to sidestep the entire Ufology cult circus of endless dead-end debates between believers and debunkers and allow professional bodies of investigation critically analyse UAP case reports.

That is the only way forward.

MONDAY

04th of March, 2019
'VFA-32, Sabre.'

Off the East Coast of America and only miles away from the United States capital were unknown vehicles operating in highly restricted airspace. The W-72 case of 2019 was named due to the specific area that lay directly east and down from Washington. As George Knapp reported for Mystery Wire, the United States Navy had encountered something unusual in the skies since at least 2014. Navy Pilots were reporting encounters with a bizarre array of unknown, unidentified objects and aircraft which were positioned directly in their daily flight paths (4). It was as though they wanted to be seen. Seen and not caught. These things couldn't be reached as when a pilot got close it would simply take off at impossible speeds.

As the Navy fighter pilots of squadron 32 (VFA-32) flew that morning from Airbase Oceana on the 04th of March 2019, they probably didn't expect to come up and close with strangely shaped object(s) at 30'000ft. As standard procedure dictates, FA/18 aircraft fly in pairs by default, so we can assume that at least two pilots and two weapons systems operators (WSO) encountered UAP that Monday afternoon within the stratosphere (30k feet). FA/18 are equipped with the latest FLIR1 gun cameras, and videos were taken, and yes, they are classified to protect sources and methods. However, on Monday the 04th of March, the WSO or 'back seater' of one of the aircraft pulled out his iPhone 8 and took J-Peg photos of an object at 14:44, 15:02 and 15:16 in the afternoon.

Tim McMillan of The Debrief would release one of the UAP photos in December 2020, George Knapp and Mystery Wire would release an additional two J-Peg photos in 2021. And then the supporting iPhone metadata from all three, that accompanied the photos, was released by myself under the alias 'Andreas Freeman Stahl' for 'The Unidentified' website in 2021 after I got the go-ahead from a source to do so.

Three photos in the W-72 case were all taken by the same back seater with their iPhone 8, all taken within 30 minutes of each other, and all taken within the exact same area. Initially, there was a translucent 'Sphere' object that was encountered at 14:44 that afternoon, then an 'Acorn' shaped object

at 15:02. Finally, the same pilots and WSOs encountered a shiny metal looking ‘Blimp’ at 15:16. All three of the encounters occur within roughly 32 minutes of each other. Not much coverage was given to these objects in #UFOTwitter with the exception of the Acorn photo. *Note: The photo released by Mystery Wire and The Debrief are different photos of the same ‘Acorn’ object but seconds apart.

Some debunkers quickly tried to say that the Acorn object was a child’s ‘Batman Balloon’ - a saga that we would hear about via The Debrief in December 2020 and that made mainstream media coverage. However, the counter argument against a small balloon would point to basic trigonometry. Some considered the logistical size + distance of the object in relation to the FA/16 meaning the UAP probably wasn’t a 2ft wide ‘Batman balloon’. Additionally – the counter argument against a child's balloon would suggest the balloon would have had to of been over 50ft wide at a reported distance of 1000 ft to fit the theory (plus small children’s balloons pop well before 30’000ft). More credible consideration proceeded to suggest the Acorn object could be a high-altitude balloon. As reported by McMillan and Knapp, the UAP Task Force noted that the objects were able to remain stationary in high winds, with no movement, beyond the capability of known balloons or drones. If this was accurate then the Acorn was not easily explainable.

In 2020 I would personally write a case report for ‘The Unidentified’ website on W-72 case and would make the comment in the article – that possibly the three encounters are of the same object. But how could these three UAP be the same object? This was surprising given that the three photos taken by the same WSO, and the same iPhone 8 depict seemingly different objects. We simply do not know the full picture as, yet again, we lack relevant data.

Another interesting point, as reported by George Knapp, is that all the three W-72 objects encountered in 2019 were found off the East Coast - the same as the 2014/15 Roosevelt incursions (Flying Disc with Cubes within Spheres).

Confirming the VFA -32 squadron.

Researcher Roger Glassel, managed to discover that it was the VFA-32 squadron that was involved within the W-72 case. Consequently, it seems a reflection within the 'Acorn' photo shows that the flight crew helmet. These

were identified as the VFA-32 swordsmen squadron - Navy Pilots who had flown the previous year from the USS Eisenhower in 2018. Another interesting side note, the VF-32 have their HQ at Naval base Oceana, the same as the Red Rippers (VFA-11) who were part of the USS Roosevelt UAP case (2014/15). These were the guys that reportedly encountered the 'Cubes within Spheres' on the same East coast of America almost daily for over a year. Hopefully, more data will be forthcoming, but currently we have George Knapp's team stating that the incursion that involved three different objects encountered in 30 minutes. The concluding aspect of the W-72 case was that these were genuine objects investigated by the Department of Defense's UAP Task Force (UAPTF) and thus confirmed by the Pentagon in 2021 as genuine. What these objects might be is another issue entirely and without additional data we simply cannot appropriately conclude. Yes, we have leaked data and anonymous testimony but that doesn't take us where we need to go. And we need to get to a place which is verifiable and sourced to origin.

That is how science works, which is how peer review scrutiny works.

SUNDAY

14th of July, 2019

'West Coast Encounters.'

The week that began the 14th of July 2019, saw a massive UAP Navy incursion which would continue building and eventually conclude with *'swarms'* of unidentified objects which couldn't be shot down by 'Ghostbuster' technology. Navy destroyers USS Kidd, USS Rafael, USS Peralta, USS Russell, USS John Finn, USS Omaha and the USS Paul Hamilton were all conveniently positioned a hundred miles off the West Coast of California and all reporting unknown objects. As first reported by The Drive (5) in 2021, and later covered in a follow up (6), they stated that there were swarms of unidentified objects that were referred to as Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and/or drones which entered sensitive airspace. Despite being referred to as 'Drones', the flight characteristics and reported shapes of the objects didn't fit any known UAS (please see Case Reports for details). Additionally, some data would be leaked in future years by Jeremy Corbell that involved 'transmedium' craft. The two main videos were showing objects that were shaped like large 6ft 'Spheres' and some allegedly

like ‘Pyramids’ as part of the USS Omaha and USS Russell respectively (7). This is a relatively important case and is covered in more depth in later chapters. Due to the anonymous sources that released the videos it became difficult to verify the accuracy of the claims that these objects were involved in Congressional briefings. What we didn't know at the time is that both DoD and the Navy were taking these incursions very seriously with the Office of Naval intelligence briefing Congressional oversight committees.

All classified, of course.

THURSDAY

18 of July, 2019
‘Rock-show.’

Tom Delonge was often outspoken on UFOs from years 2016 to 2020 in particular and right up until Christopher Mellon and Luis Elizondo left Delonge’s company, To The Stars Academy (TTSA). After that it seemed Delonge became focused on his music and UFOs seemed to talk a backseat, at least in respect to his social media activity. I always liked Tom, he seemed genuine and was certainly enthusiastic. The big problem was he would discuss Atlantis, Bigfoot, and some UFO type people that Ufology consider frauds. then at the same time he would discuss very important issues such as the threat narrative and UAP - which Ufology doesn’t like to speak about or acknowledge. When Delonge said Congress was being briefed on UFOs in 2018, he was telling the truth – but no one believed him apart from us and our small band of #UFOTwitter misfits.

On a KROQ radio show, Delonge would confirm that pressure would start to build towards Congressional hearings (8).

“…in 3-5 years you will start to see rumblings of hearings…. you will start to hear the pressure building to have Congressional hearings…and then once that happens things get a little scary because then, on a public level, they have to act on this thing…now what does that mean? What are they going to do? Those things happening on a public forum could be terrifying.”

- Tom Delonge, KROQ radio (2019).

At the time it seemed eccentric and irrational to even mention such things about hearings on UFOs. However, to date, Tom Delonge has been proven correct on everything, even Congressional hearings. The only thing he got *wrong* was the claims of Atlantis when he was on the Joe Rogan… but let's not go there.

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Conclusions

We are told by various reliable sources that the 2019 UAP incursions over the East and West Coast of the United States occur regularly. Also, reported incursions by anomalous technology into sensitive military airspace occur to this very day. It is what we are told by 'insiders', and there is no reason to disbelieve their statements. Whatever is occurring, it is said to be occurring with more frequency and with more direct intention across the last decade. Even more alarming is that we can't account for this radical technology which allows all forms of geometrically shaped craft to suddenly appear, disappear, hover silently, instantly accelerate into space and/or then dive down into the ocean. If this technology belongs to an unknown species, we should be extremely careful about shooting at them in an attempt to bring one down. Arguably, we need to know more about these case reports, we need the data to uncover who or what these are. Surely, the radar data would show where these objects or devices are coming from and where they go to?

Radar data is the key, and yet, it is classified.

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Chapter Nine: Storm Area 51

Today we know that social media activism is incredibly important to the process of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) transparency, and for the most part, it shines a mainstream spotlight down upon the issue of UAP. The awareness, targeted focus and pressure upon government needed to be strategic, measured and countered in a way which allows safe passage for those who have access to sensitive unclassified UAP data (and for those who are in a position of authority). Sure, the ridicule and stigma element are also a factor in the process, but so is ensuring national security is protected and society safeguarded from rioting. When 'Storm Area 51' started to trend in the September of 2019 by heart sank. This is exactly what the process didn't need, thousands of *conspiracy nutters* from Ufology charging a secure research and testing facility in the Nevada desert, probably getting themselves shot in the process. This was a quick-sure way of saying to those who were in charge of the UAP process, 'no', the process isn't working. An 'Arab-Spring' themed uprising over allegedly hidden alien technology and bodies in some underground bunker is exactly the sort of thing that stops movements dead. Thankfully, a savour with a long beard would appear to change the tone to a party mood.

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TUESDAY
10th of September, 2019
'Area 51.'

Area 51 (Dreamland, The Skunkworks, The Paradise Ranch, Groom Lake) is situated 83 miles North-West of Las Vegas in Nevada. Shortly after World War Two, a highly classified research and development testing range was built upon on a dry desert lakebed known as Groom Lake. The name is thought to be attributed to the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) as a numbering grid, although due to classification around the base it has been difficult to gain accurate information on exact origin. Since the 1980's, the

clandestine base was frequently being mentioned in the media, from popular television shows such as the Simpsons, to films such as Independence Day. Despite this, Area 51 was never actually officially acknowledged by the United States government until 2013 - following a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that was filed in 2005, and declassified documents detailing its history and purpose (1). Historically, Area 51 was where the U2 pilots trained during the 1950s Cold-War era and was considered the place where most secret spy-plane technology was developed. In the mainstream it has been popularised in Western culture since the early 1990s thanks mainly to two men. We can thank journalist George Knapp primarily and Bob Lazar for bringing the world's attention the secret military base after Lazar came forward in 1989. The story is that Robert 'Bob' Lazar was hired by Edward Teller – the father of the hydrogen bomb - to work on at an area know as 'S-4', some 15 miles from Area 51 itself and buried deep into the surrounding mountains. Apparently, there are hangers carved within the mountain range that house any flying crashed materials and discs that were recovered via Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) crash retrieval programs. The crown jewels of the United States military defense apparatus. Simply put, if Bob Lazar is being truthful then crash retrieval programs existed and in a time when officially the United States Government had claimed it never did any such thing. If such programs did exist within defense contractors such as Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman or Boeing via deep black Special Access Programs (SAP) then they have operated outside of Congressional oversight. This would be highly illegal, and a massive issue on many differing levels of bureaucracy. Does any of this mean that there are alien bodies or crashed discs stashed away at Area 51 or S-4? Currently, there is no tangible hard evidence that would conclusively prove this, and certainly nothing that would make someone storm a military base looking for '*dem aliens.* Unfortunately, however, as we have seen in recent years, the threat of large-scale anti-government movements based on unfounded conspiracies is very real. And a potential problem.

WEDNESDAY

11th of September, 2019
'Jacksonville.'

It was the anniversary of 9/11 and the feuding over Tom Delonge's

company, To The Stars Academy (TTSA) had raged since the October of 2017. The field of Ufology turned against them almost instantly, with only a pocket full of people who supported their efforts. Incidentally, those pocket full of people would form #TwitterUFO, the original version of #UFOTwitter.

The reason we mention TTSA is that they took a lot of heat from conspiracy theorists over everything they were trying to accomplish with regard to UFO disclosure. So, when TTSA released the three videos of 'GIMBAL', 'GO FAST' and 'FLIR1' in 2017 and 2018 alongside New York Times and Washington Post, the hatred and orchestrated pushback was consequently projected onto anyone associated to those videos or TTSA. Unfortunately, this pushback against the three UAP videos was undeserved, particularly when some were claiming the videos were hoaxed and a trick by TTSA. They weren't. They were real videos and showed real anomalous vehicles.

On that Wednesday, an online article that stated Joseph Gradisher – the official spokesperson for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations at that time in 2019 – confirmed that the videos were real UAP and classed as 'Unidentified' (2). A breakthrough in the case. A breakthrough in the case. More importantly, thanks to the BlackVault *et al*, we were provided with the all-important dates of when the videos were taken:

SUNDAY 14th of November 2004 - 'FLIR1'

WEDNESDAY 21st of January 2015 - 'GIMBAL' and 'GO FAST.'

Not only had the Navy confirmed the dates of when these incidents were filmed, but they also confirmed that they were genuinely *unidentified* vehicles. Keep in mind the Navy adopts the Department of Defense's position on what they characterise as UAP – Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena. Not *anomalous* as we refer to UAP. The Navy/Department of Defense (DoD) use UAP as a basic description to characterise military sightings/observations of unidentified objects that are observed operating in the airspace of military-controlled training areas. Essentially, UAP for the Navy could officially infer anything from a balloon, a drone or a Chinese aircraft, but in a way which hasn't been characterised and assessed (which would remain the case until 2022 and constructed Congressional legislation). Additionally, something *unidentifiable* might also be classed as UAP, and simply never identified due to its genuinely anomalous nature. But as we would come to find out, trying

to get them to acknowledge that was an incredibly difficult task. It was like the equivalent of a 4-dimensional chess game, and we didn't have all the pieces.

Additionally, in September information was provided by Navy spokesperson Gradisher to Swedish researcher Roger Glassel. This information highlighted some interesting points about the Pentagon's UFO program the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP). Mainly that *'The AATIP program involved offices from across the Department of Defense, including Navy'*. It was stated by Navy spokesperson Gradisher that details remain classified and Luis Elizondo (in direct relation to UAP) provided coordination and professional connections within DoD whilst at the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) (3). From these statements officially provided by the Navy, we can see that they are clarifying Elizondo and AATIP were involved with Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP), although they don't go as far as to classify this broad ranging issue as potentially anomalous in nature. Even so, this is an interesting part of the story as it confirms some of the original claims made in December 2017. It further clarifies that AATIP + Elizondo were involved with UAP and also would come to contradict much of what was officially stated by the Department of Defense. However, despite these uncomfortable Navy truths the Pentagon itself showed zero interest in being open and transparent and instead allowed disinformation to pollute into the system, further sewing conspiracy and mistrust. They got away with due to the associated stigma of little green men and journalists failing to hold the Pentagon to account. Things needed to change in order to fix a broken system and would require an overhaul in how the DoD managed classification.

THURSDAY

19th of September, 2019
'Occam's Tabloids.'

Dealing with the media had become an instinctual part of life on the activism circuit. We would write, email and contact journalists from various outlets that included both tabloid and broadsheet. Often, we found that tabloid media were willing to give us a chance to vocalise the UAP issue, but the more *self-respected* journalists wouldn't even return our messages. The divide in how this issue is considered was no more evident than within the

British media. In the British press, UFOs were written about as a joke in both the tabloids and more respectable outlets, even after the 2017 revelations. From classic headlines such as '*aliens fathered my babies'* to '*I once rode in a Tic-Tac'*, the vast number of crazy stigmatising stories was never far from the public perception. Even prior to the efforts of UAPMediaUK, who contacted editors and asked them to change how they approached UFO stories, the tabloid media was saturated with UFO stigma.

In 2019, I categorised and analysed close to fifty tabloid UFO stories going back to the turn of the 21st century. In almost all of the articles written, not one of them advocated a serious tone that implied further government investigation. The author in each case would often mock any person claiming to witness a UFO and used stigmatising terminology such as 'UFO-Boffins' or 'Alien Conspiracy Theorists'. In all articles the association was made between UFOs being extra-terrestrial, but never taken seriously and certainly never given the objective investigation it deserved. The aim of the articles was to be entertaining, and mocking, rather than serious journalism. Consequently, trying to engage people in media was incredibly difficult without a clear confirmed video of a 'flying disc'. We had little to work with, but we didn't give up.

No Area 51, Aliens or UFOs please, we're British

For us little Englanders, the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) is as much embedded into our culture as drinking tea or talking about the terrible weather. Growing up in the 1990s we had only 4 channels until the year 1998. This meant that the BBC was a massive part of our daily media input and consequently our unwitting social narrative. In my earlier childhood I remember most people followed the same daily routine: we would have afternoon tea followed by watching the six o'clock news, followed by Eastenders and Coronation Street (thankfully today, we no longer have to endure this). In the 1990s there was no instantly available mobile internet, no Netflix, Amazon prime or Now TV. There was no instant media alerts or access to unlimited data via a small pocket device. It meant we all shared the same routine and accessed the very same shows.

The latest scandal was known country wide, last night's BBC Panorama documentary was made for adult conversation, and the latest Harry Enfield sketch was talked about the next day at school. In short, information

was undoubtedly distributed differently, and proved very effective for persuading public opinion. For example, when the Falklands war and Gulf War needed public support, the British media enforced the correct pro-Thatcher / pro-military narrative. Public opinion during the 2003 Iraq war was heavily influenced by what images were shown on the news and by the editorial journalistic approach presented. In 2007, the BBC actually came under criticism from moderators, who claimed that the BBC, more often than not, had followed the government party line on Iraq. And as we all know now, in 2003 that unfortunate party line was that the war on terrorism/Iraq was legal and based on solid intelligence (which eventually turned out to be faulty intelligence regarding the infamous weapons of mass destruction (WMD), bringing into question the legality of the war in later years).

The Iraq war (2003) was an example of how a very serious critical failure occurred throughout the British intelligence/political/media system, from the false reports of WMD, to the failure of any investigative journalism.The developing alternative media would report on the serious failings of information validity + reliability which would bring into question the actions of the Labour government. The consequences of this war are still being felt almost two decades later. We as proud, patriotic British citizens would expect the BBC to be a shining example, a beacon of truth amongst all other mainstream media to question the party line of the government, no matter how uncomfortable that truth might be to digest. We expect our political system to be a representation of our democracy, and furthermore, we would expect our military and intelligence agencies to act under the oversight of Parliament, whilst providing our legislative and executive branches with the required information to make informed decisions on behalf of the British public. Whether this actually happens is up for debate, particularly in sight of how the topic of UFOs has been addressed over the last 70 years.

Asking the question *'what are UFOs'* is equal to asking, *'what do UFOs represent for our British society'*, and by that, I mean the consequences for our legislative system and our democratic processes. Answering this question may unlock the secrecy itself, plus how it was classified and that may not be a road the United Kingdom wishes to travel down. In a way, getting some 60 plus million British people to take seriously a topic shrouded in stigma and ridicule is almost impossible, particularly when the then Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, appeared on national television in 2019 and essentially claimed that UFOs are a nonsense conspiracy.

However, even the most hardened sceptic would concede that there is a long-distinguished history of ‘UFOs’ (whatever they are), with such reports and sightings going back to the Foo-Fighters of World War Two. The United States Government even set out three official programs to investigate the phenomenon of strange objects: Project Sign 1947-49, project Grudge 1949-52 and project Bluebook 1952-1969. The controversial closure of Bluebook provided the exit policy for America and her allies to quote media sources, to paraphrase: ‘*we looked but nothing found provided evidence of extra-terrestrial life or anything that posed a threat to national security’*.

The British government’s position on UFOs was almost identical to that of their U.S. counterparts, where sightings had been investigated by the United States Air Force (USAF) but ultimately found there was no national security issue to follow up on. Basically, the misidentified flying objects amounted to nothing more than swamp gas, weather balloons, clouds and birds (Seagulls). Which, putting it bluntly, was bullshit.

Golden Era of UFOs (2017 to 2022)

History tells us that significant revelations come from a period of hard acceptance which can last years, decades and even centuries. In a strange way we are in a similar, but completely new paradigm shift. The beginning of the ‘modern day UFO era’ 1947 – 2017 and then the UFO renaissance (Golden Era) 2017 – current day, have brought serious contention to the ideology that we are not alone in this universe. One argument, is that the critical failure of our democratic system (intelligence, media and political), may have worked positively towards a form of much needed indoctrination.

Are we collectively experiencing an acclimatisation process? A divergent reaction to a devastating concept that our fragile species struggles to accept? Is the UAP Revolution similar to the Copernican Revolution and the dramatic social and cultural paradigm shift that changed Europe in the 16th and 17th Centuries?

Is the anomalous our modern day heliocentric realisation?

What parallels can be made between the Middle-Ages, modern day society, and information dissemination/acceptance? Whilst some things have changed, other aspects have remained the same. The quality, reliability and validity of information has improved with our advancing technology. The standards within media have also improved in the last millennium,

particularly with regard to how information is governed and controlled. Today, the focus is much less orientated around the doctrine of a ruling monarchy or religious authority and more geared towards political invested influence, which is thought to interfere with objective news reporting.

Also improved are the significantly quick methods by which daily news reports get to people. Thanks to the internet and smart phones, an event or issue is acknowledged instantly like at no other point in history. Thus, the process of information transfer has become more widespread and influential and no longer is reliant upon 'sending a raven with a message'. Information is now considered more openly and objectively and without persecution (in the Western world). Thankfully, medieval torture for anarchists and anti-establishment philosophy scientists is frowned upon in the 21st Century, however people are still ostracised online for questioning mainstream scientists - the new high priests of scientism.

In 2019, we might have hoped things were different from 500 years ago, however, human psychology, ideology and dogmatic thinking still influence human perception as it did in the days of Galileo. Consider that in 2019 we had some rather striking information about how the United States Government was investigating UAP. How many media outlets intervened upon the below information? *Not many.*

1). It is officially acknowledged and verified that this UAP/UFO technology has been briefed to members of Congress for the senate armed forces committee and others.

2). The three UAP videos 'FLIR1' 'Gimbal' and 'Go Fast' have officially been classified as 'Unidentified' by the U.S. Navy.

3). The reported pilot testimony indicates that the technology is beyond next generation.

4). AATIP and the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), officially studied UAP/UFO for the United States Government, some 50 years after the closure of Project Bluebook in 1969.

With this in mind, we would surely expect to see the BBC report on this? Whether you are a believer or sceptic, or neither, this was a big newsworthy story. High ranking officials within the United States Government are stating there is a radical technology here and operating with impunity. Surely this

must be covered. You would assume so, but also, you would be wrong. Although the BBC have covered historic ‘UFOs’, they classify them as being strictly placed in the *‘weird section’* rather than in the ‘*science and technology*’ section, or even the *‘political’* section. Essentially, what is being reported in America should have been front page news across the British press, and yet they were met with crickets. The silence was deafening. No one would cover the story, despite our attempts to contact British journalists and have them investigate. Why has there been such a blackout on credible UFO reporting within the British press? Why was this important issue being so badly ignored?

One source at the time had told us that any journalist or news outlet that did inquire about UAP to the various agencies was met with indifference. The responses the media received were controlled, played down, and that the entire issue of anomalous technology was a whole bunch of "*childish nothingness"*. The British government happily painted a rather untruthful picture of *human technology* - such as foreign drones. Our Outreach activism team at the time strived to bring focus to the BBC and Guardian writers and editors, but with no response – ultimately, the word of the Ministry of Defence (MOD) was the authoritative voice and they were saying '*drop it*' to the British press.

Social media activists such as Andrew Mills (West Brom Fan) and Dan Zetterstrom aka ‘The Zignal’ sought to take the matter one step further and emailed a complaint to the BBC, only to have a passive, generic letter in response. This is not to make the false claim that no coverage has been made by the old British cornerstone of social narrative (BBC), as stated earlier, there have been articles written but they are less than credible.

When renowned scientists (astrophysicists) actually do cover the topic of UFOs they instantly take the stance of ‘biased sceptic’, and for some reason, make the comparison that UFOs must be extra-terrestrials without even being asked. Strangely, this is a highly unscientific approach taken for such credible scientists. Take for example Prof. Brian Cox, a brilliant scientist but a English sceptical voice for the existence of UAP/UFOs beyond conventional physics. His 2019 appearance on ‘The infinite Monkey Cage’ followed the establishment narrative of both the BBC and MOD (4). Again, no mention of AATIP or AAWSAP in the BBC program, no Nimitz or Roosevelt cases mentioned, and they simply continue to parrot the dogmatic concept that these objects are misidentified terrestrial objects that are not a

threat to national security.

Scientists stop thinking like scientists when UFOs are involved.

Credible Sceptical Interpretations

Sadly, we are left fighting a very stigmatised and stereotyped argument when it comes to UAP/UFOs. We shouldn't be forced to play a game of proving extra-terrestrials are real - the go-to inferring argument of all biased sceptics and the mainstream population at large. As stated early, it is an almost impossible argument for believers to win, simply from the perspective that you can't technically prove that the UFO has travelled all the way from another planet across the vastness of space. However, if we must address the hypothetical scenario of extra-terrestrials, then we must look at how the psychology of the mainstream arranges itself and we must also consider the scientific perspective.

When it comes to forcing the link between 'Aliens and UFOs' the main credible sceptical argument is the vast distance between solar systems across the Milky Way galaxy. It is the old '*you can't get from here to there or there to here*' argument which is actually very true under chemical rocket thrust propulsion that the Nazis scientists developed in the 1930s under Wernher von Braun. Additionally, the other issues under linear propulsion come when accelerating an object to the speed of light you then also require an infinite amount of energy which then increases the objects mass infinitely (5). Then there is the issue of hitting micro sized dust particles or meteorites which at such incredible speeds would literally destroy the spaceship. What the sceptics always ignore is that the reported propulsion of the UAP don't appear to be using linear, chemical propulsion. According to Lue Elizondo (Fmr. Director of AATIP) the UAP/UFO appears to be using another form of propulsion entirely, arguably a form of physics that we don't yet understand.

For example, the 'Tic-Tac' UFO is not aerodynamic, has no rotor blades, exhaust, thrusters or heat plumes, it can also travel 80'000ft to sea level in 0.78 seconds according to the Princeton radar system in 2004. These are incredible speeds for an object traveling vertically, through the density of Earth's thick molecule atmosphere. Arguably, this unacknowledged form of hyper advanced technology may, in theory, be able to transverse across the universe in significantly reduced time in contrast to linear, thrust propulsion. Lead AATIP contractor and physicist Dr. Hal Puthoff devised a theoretical

paper on advanced space propulsion which essentially looks at alternatives to linear propulsion for space flight applications. The hypothetical concept of *Bending-Space-Time* around the craft in the form of a 'Warp-Bubble' has been suggested as UAP modus operandi. Essentially, it becomes like the fictional warp-drive from Star Wars, although possibly not as fictional as once thought.

These are all theoretical concepts which somehow are not mentioned in the staged narratives of Prof. Brian Cox, or Seth Shostak or even Neil DeGrasse Tyson. What does it say to our British mainstream media when our leading scientists and television personalities ignore vital data from the UAP conversation, when credible civilian and military data is dismissed in favour of pop culture articles about Area 51 and unverifiable, meaningless cases from history that have no additional information to verify? Arguably, it shapes the conversation against any serious investigation. Also, we can argue it creates a culture of denial, one in which the truth comes second to the established, agreed upon narrative which will not be challenged. Social stigma and derogatory terms are banded about by lazy journalists, unwilling to investigate AATIP, AAWSAP or interview pilots on record.

The BBC's (and Sky-news, The Telegraph, the Guardian, Observer, etc) failure to report UFOs seriously is a part of larger failure of our British democratic process. The classification of evidence showing the anomalous phenomena, and the withholding of such data by various intelligence agencies is to blame. Some more extreme UAP analysts have argued that hiding credible and relevant data from our lawmakers is morally and ethically criminal, a crime against humanity that will prove to be one of the worst violations of trust in human history. Maybe they are right and maybe they aren't. We find ourselves on the edge, the truth is about to break loose, and a domino effect is inevitable. We have reached a point where the contents of the secret are not as severe as the methods by which they are kept. The UFO represents a critical failure in our democratic process and the threat to national security is the secrecy itself, not the UFO reality.

With AATIP came a change, albeit small, and one that might hardly be recognised to the untrained eye. But it was there, existing as a slight signal amongst the static, awaiting to be amplified. An example of this was when British news outlet *The Independent* (6) ran a story and posted to their twitter account which was titled *'UFO videos of mysterious aircraft spotted by military pilots are real, US Navy says'*. The video shown was that of the

‘GIMBAL’ from January 21st 2015 that famously revealed the ‘Spinning top-disc’ shape that slows and rotates, leaving the pilots in shock. We scanned the comments section for a representation of comments and perceptions. One sceptical opinion was that the GIMBAL object was a '*bug on a windscreen*', quoting ‘Occam’s Razor’ which made little sense. Stigma and misinformation was being diluted into the system by pseudo-sceptics. As activists, we took action and as a result we provided case data involving the UAP comments of what Lt. Ryan Graves and Lt. Danny Accoin had stated some months earlier in May and June. It was one of the first times we started to use credible information to counter misinformation.

And it worked.

FRIDAY

20th of September, 2019
‘London baby.’

A text had come through, asking how I would feel about engaging more seriously in activism efforts behind the scenes – instantly I put my phone away, not wanting to think about that, at least not with the task ahead. It was early Friday morning and the prospect of traveling the country by myself and leaving my six-month-old son for the first time was daunting to the point of causing anxiety. Nothing can ever prepare you for leaving your baby boy for the first time, something paternal stirs and shakes you at the very idea. But it was my friend Dave McKeown's wedding in London, and I had already missed the Stag-do - so my minor mental health issue would need to be put to one side for two days. Despite the late hour of the summer days, I do remember it was really hot that weekend across Britain with heatwaves of +28 degrees. My humid Friday morning involved listening to an audio novel by Tom Delonge and A.J. Hartley *‘Sekret Machines: Chasing Shadows’* whilst driving down from Middlesbrough to the wedding in the British city of London. Despite the late September day, the heat wave ensured the air conditioning was turned up. Listening to the first Sekret Machines fictional novel I couldn’t help but wonder how much was blurred fiction and how much was fact. Delonge had contacts and advisors within DoD, which was true. But how much of what was written about in the fictional novel was based on reality? How could we trust a franchise where the boundaries of objective truth run into subjective creativity and skilled writing? Can we

really trust that Area51 had a fleet of fully functional TR-3B black triangles? What about discs and the association with consciousness?

I wasn't holding my breath. Still, as a fictional novel it was an enthralling read, or audiobook in this case as I drove the long drive. The motorways were full on a very busy weekend that involved some of the biggest Climate Change protests (7) to ever be held in the United Kingdom. Not exactly what I needed as a feeling of dread filled my stomach. I tried to find the strength to fight back a bizarre acrophobic sense of uncertainty whilst the Tees Valley slowly drew further and further away in my rear-view mirror. Thankfully, listening to the audiobook give my mind some peace and was quickly engulfed in stories of recovered alien technology - fictional alien recovered technology that is. Then my mind considered the current day programs and what we currently know.

Prior to setting off, I had submitted an article to the website *The Unidentified* that detailed the Pentagon saga involving AATIP which involved a response by the Pentagon to an FOIA researcher. By the beginning of that warm autumn in 2019, a new piece of information had come down through the usual process channels. This time from the United States Navy to Swedish FOIA researcher Roger Glassel. An article which had first appeared in the Magazine 'UFO-aktuellt', released on Facebook and then via myself in *The Unidentified* (2), which documented a few questions and answers with appointed Navy spokesperson, Joseph Gradisher. Most notably, Gradisher confirmed that the Navy was indeed involved with AATIP just as Elizondo has claimed back in 2018. The Navy was involved with AATIP, **this is the same Navy that had the Nimitz (2004) and Roosevelt (2014/15) nuclear strike group UAP incursions*.

Additionally, Gradisher, speaking for the Navy, also confirmed Luis Elizondo's involvement, stating Elizondo provided occasional '*coordination and professional connections/liaison'* for the DoD and in his employment at the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. Keep in mind at this point that Elizondo had just been officially removed from ever working at AATIP by the Pentagon (both at OUSDI or DIA with AATIP/UAP). Gradisher would also confirm to Glassel the Departure of Defense definition of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena as term borrowed from the United Kingdom and meaning something not immediately identified, following on his statements to the Blackvault earlier in the month.

Gradisher stated that the wide proliferation and availability of

inexpensive civilian unmanned aerial systems (UAS) isn't exactly contradictory, but its just when an UAS isn't immediately identifiable that they refer to them as UAP. As an example, he goes on to state that a quadcopter is immediately identifiable due to its flight behaviour, abilities and clear shape. Additionally, Navy spokesperson Gradisher told researcher Glassel that the generic UAP term is used by the Navy and DoD, so they don't pre-judge the results of an active investigation. He goes on to say that the number of incursions into sensitive ranges has increased with that wide proliferation and availability of inexpensive UAS.

Our assessment of the Navy Spokesperson's words seemed to be that there is nothing to the phenomena besides unidentified drones, some usual, some more obscure. Another interpretation of Gradisher statements might be, *'what we can't identify immediately as UAS, we will most probably identify with further investigation eventually'* (which sounds very much like the 1968 Condon Report that closed down Project Bluebook). Arguably this is all just theoretical and can't be verified, but the terminology used is still very interesting. The lack of any definition given to 'anomalous' vehicles is interesting. The aim here was seemingly to dilute the phenomena with human technology and avoid labelling UFOs as anything extraordinary.

The real question here is are we seeing someone presenting the facts as they appear? Or are we seeing a control over the narrative? We could not be completely sure and at that point and the idea of him being genuinely mistaken couldn't be miscounted. What became very obvious, however, as we researched the history of the AATIP story, is the complete disconnect from December 2017 over the months that followed the summer of 2019. We found that in almost all areas regarding AATIP, the following official statements had contradicted the previous narrative. The overall Pentagon message: *UAP/UFOs are not interesting.*

Stephen Colbert's Bull Semen Story

As I drank in my friend Peter Ward's suburban London flat, I saw a video posted to YouTube that Friday night. It was a 4-minute clip from 'The Late Show' with host Stephen Colbert (8). The comedy section known as '*Meanwhile'* covered a story about an exploding Bull semen facility in Australia which drew many laughs from the audience. And immediately after, came the story about how the United States Navy '*confirms existence of UFOs'*, complete with jokes and focus on Tom Delonge. Typical attitudes toward UFOs for that time in 2019 and you might say it was reflective of

Colbert's own thinking (at the time). Interestingly he changes his attitude somewhat after he would interview former President Obama in February of 2021 and would reiterate positive support for UFOs a year later in early 2022.

SATURDAY

21st of September, 2019
'Storming a classified base.'

The wedding of my friend in London was on another warm September day, while over in America, the 'Storm Area 51' campaign had become a party atmosphere thanks to George Knapp and Jeremy Corbell – who successfully managed to tailor the excitement into a random dance event with DJ Paul Oakenfold. How or why Oakenfold ended up in Nevada to DJ is still a mystery to me, but credit where credit is due. They altered the entire tone of 'Storm Area51' from an angry mob going to free '*dem aliens* from captivity into a social media event where kids were '*Naurto*' running across the sensitive military instillation's borders (far away from '*dem aliens*).

A few thousand miles away in the English capital city, I was trying to formulate a strategic plan that involved getting back to by new baby boy without letting people know of my increasing social anxieties. I managed to make it through the wedding ceremony that day and stayed until around 5pm, but shortly before dinner felt the beginning of a panic attack. Something I'm not too familiar with but had since before more frequent in the previous weeks and was held a strange agoraphobic baseline. As I sat at a nearby table my excuse for drinking water was that I had a headache but the look on my face most probably told a different story. To make things worse, my phone beeped in my pocket to focus my attention and update me on a UAP proposal from a source I cannot name. My mind swam with inadequacy and the sheer overwhelming uncertainty of myself. This was never for me, activists and activism were not something I wanted to be involved with, never-mind lead on it. I remember my neck felt hot and heavy, the fancy green tie around my neck constricted my airway. In a flash I clawed at it and released it to the floor ahead of me, allowing fast inhaling breaths. I felt the downward pressure on my chest and could easily have passed out on the marquee, but I didn't. Picking up the green tie from the floor, I said goodbye to the annoyed looks of my friends and quickly made my way home. I knew I wasn't well in

myself at that time and regret leaving my friend on his wedding day, but knew I needed to leave. It was for the best I left that night. The pressure of it all was completely overwhelming.

The drive home should have taken me six hours, instead it took me four. Speeding is not something I ever do or advocate, but my thoughts were of getting to the *safety* of home. As someone with degrees in Psychology I know what the textbooks say regarding irrational emotive behaviours, but it is something else to experience them first-hand. As I drove my mind felt better the closer, I got to home, and after so long I relaxed and started thinking about the proposal of engaging more seriously in an activism effort. I would decline.

I knew in myself it wasn't the right time.

FRIDAY

18th of October, 2019
'UFO briefing.'

An alleged UFO briefing (9) that is supposed to have involved the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) took place that Friday in October, 2019. We don't know who was in this briefing or what the context was. Potentially, these briefings from ONI to (Congress oversight committees?) the recipients possibly involved the West Coast UAP incursions from the July of 2019.

MONDAY

21st of October, 2019
'Crash Retrieval- UFO briefing.'

In the summer of 2020, The New York would Times report on an alleged UFO briefing (10) which occurred that Monday in October, 2019. It is supposed to have involved Congressional oversight committees. We don't know who was in this briefing or what the context was specifically, however, Blumenthal and Kean would report in 2020 that Dr. Eric Davis (AATIP/AASWAP physicist contractor) gave classified briefings on crash retrievals to staff of the Armed Senate Services Committee.

WEDNESDAY

23rd of October, 2019
'Crash Retrieval- UFO briefing.'

The same New York Times article from 2020, would report another alleged UFO briefing (10) that occured in October 2019, and is supposed to have involved different Congressional oversight committee members. This one occurred a couple of days *after* the Armed Senate Service Committee hearing and took place on the 23rd of October. This time it was the Senate Intelligence Committee who took the testimony of Dr. Eric Davis, again on crash retrievals. From as early as 2019, the Congressional committee members were beginning to gather together a picture of what was happening. Although we in the public eye had no idea that these briefings were happening, and certainly that Congress was seriously digging into crash retrieval programs – and what also they found.

WEDNESDAY

13th of November, 2019
'Knapp's News.'

Since 2018, I have had an awareness of Skinwalker Ranch, the paranormal, and AAWSAP. Additionally, I have ensured that activism doesn't involve any of these concepts. It was never that I disbelieved the work of AAWSAP into the associated UFO phenomenon, it is just that it was always a step too far for the public to accept and believe. Writing and researching about Skinwalkers and poltergeists is very different to having them spearhead a global activism campaign to engage journalists and politicians. It was difficult enough to have people look into sourced pilot reports that are verified by the government of very real objects - never-mind asking them to believe that abductions, cattle mutilations, poltergeists and Bigfoot might also be real. The first book in this series uses scepticism and goes into detail on such strange anomalies. We considered anomalous time-dilation and other contributing factors without reaching an appropriate conclusion. There simply isn't the data to even begin to evaluate.

On the Wednesday, after glancing up to my open attic, I became inspired and wrote a blog article for the website *The Unidentified* that consider questions as to *why* the anomalous phenomena hides on the edge of our collective conscious reality. The article gained the attention of George

Knapp and was even mentioned on Coast2CoastAM (12) under the Knapp's News segment. For anyone trying to understand the mystery, you might find the question of why they hide a big piece of the puzzle.

I still haven't worked it out.

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Conclusions

One of the main criticisms we received from 'believers' in the field of Ufology was asking why we didn't use 'extra-terrestrials' and 'Area 51' as the front running theme in our campaigns. The answer we gave was based around reading the social climate. Arguably, the world was nowhere near accepting and absorbing the anomalous phenomena in the summer of 2019. The three UAP videos of GO FAST, GIMBAL and FLIR1 were universally dismissed/debunked by internet sleuths with a narrative – when in reality they were stated to be genuinely 'unidentified' by DoD. Normal people with no real interest in this issue would glance over a catchy 'debunked' headline on YouTube and accept it without question. Mainstream media was stigmatising UFOs with celebrity personalities such as Colbert were mocking the issue and placing their UFO segment after the Bull-Semen story. At the same time, Navy Spokesman Joseph Gradisher was seemingly going to great lengths to make researchers believe that all anomalous technology was simply misidentified unmanned aerial systems. The Storm Area51 saga showed just how little the general public failed to understand the entire issue of UAP and this poses a massive problem. If the public aren't educated by the government on UFOs, then conspiracies and misinformation will enable more efforts such as Storm Area51 and national security will be eroded and not enabled. And then, on top of everything that was occurring in early Autumn/Fall, it was believed that individuals within the Office of the Under Secretary for Intelligence and United States Airforce, were working across DoD to ensure that AATIP/AAWSAP was being walked back to the point of falling of a cliff. As part of the process, we were in a tricky place and not anywhere near to introducing the possibility that UAP was indeed anomalous in nature. And it was about to get worse before it got better. A daunting task for anyone person to engage.

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Chapter Ten: The Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program and the lies that ruled the web

By the end of 2019, the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) and its director Luis Elizondo were buried in totality. The UAP-Obfuscators within the Department of Defense (DoD) – whoever they were - had successfully killed the entire Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) initiative with Elizondo surgically removed from AATIP. After the Secretary of Defense James Mattis had resigned in late 2018, the green lighted strategy to backtrack on the statements made in 2017 by spokesperson Dana White and others was almost complete. Finally, it was time for the final nail in the coffin, removing AATIP from UAP and UAP from AATIP. In the short space of six months from June-December in 2019 they, whoever these UAP-Obfuscating *Skeksis'* actually were, they had completely done a U-turn on AATIP, UAP and Luis Elizondo thus returning the power of the dark crystal upon themselves once again. In reality these people aren't bad people despite my crude Jim Henson monster characterisations. What they are, however, are people who represent a part of a broken system which seeks to blot out liberty with security. Overreaching powers that illegally undermine the democratic process itself is a talking point for discussion. So it would be that the first part of the UAP revolution ended to a blog article by John Greenewald of the Blackvault (1) and done to the iconic backdrop cover picture of a 'no-entry' sign (a sign we would ironically use in retaliation via EndUAPSecrecy campaign). Sadly, at the time, nothing could be done, the entire initiative was based upon the credibility of one man, *Luis Elizondo*. He was the face of AATIP and of UAP. The new Pentagon spokesperson at the time was Susan Gough, a former strategic planning officer who was put into position to handle the front of house UAP issues. By all accounts, it was a shrewd move for short-medium term maintenance and damage control and would work effectively so long as they could box-off the recent efforts, forcing the credibility back down into the realms of stigmatised nonsense. If, however, they were to get caught lying about the biggest issue in history, not even the most cunning spin cycle would save them. In future years they

would get caught, but it was quite a battle to get there.

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FRIDAY

06th of December, 2019
'Iron Lady.'

Friday came quickly that week. Rumours and whispers would be confirmed that the final plan to execute the UAP initiative was about to be rolled out. This time Susan Gough went further than previous spokesperson Chris Sherwood and claimed (without providing a shred of evidence) that neither AATIP nor the Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program (AAWSAP) were UAP programs. In an email to John Greenewald of the Blackvault, Gough stated the purpose of Pentagon program AATIP was '*to investigate foreign advanced aerospace weapons system applications'* which considered technologies forty years into the future.

No acknowledgment of anomalous technology or accountability for the non-aerodynamic shapes that are associated to UAP. No acknowledgment of AATIP's once confirmed director or head scientists or even the program creator – Senator Harry Reid. All of whom stated AATIP was a UAP (UFO) program. The statements given by Gough *were not truthful*, although we should hold off from blaming Gough. As we document in this book, the reason for this will become clearer as the story unfolds across the years. Some UAP analysts have claimed this was psychological strategists at work, taking their time with a subtle plan that needed time and specific interjection. It was perfect, *almost*. Well, not quite as history would have it. At the time I reached out to a few people formerly involved with AATIP, one of whom told me the 'no' team had the upper hand which meant they wanted no part of transparency. Another claimed this was a plan to kill the momentum. After all the early promise, all the hope of finally being able to have UAP/Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) acknowledged and officially investigated, it was seemingly over. AATIP as the once promising disclosure vessel was dead in the water by the end of 2019. Some had made the argument that the Pentagon

had executed a 6 month to a yearlong plan, bringing in Susan Gough (and others) to have oversight on such a delicate issue, and this was vital to the turnaround. The problem from our point of view was that with no way to peer review the information Gough was focusing her official statements upon, and therefore it was almost impossible to refute. But again, this is all just wild conjecture. We do not know that any such plan was introduced, we do not know who (if anyone) was involved in such an audacious conspiracy around UFOs. We were left in the dark.

Keith Basterfield, a long-standing researcher who looked at the employees of BAASS with specific regards to AAWSAP, stated that he believed Gough to be wrong about AAWSAP/AATIP and UAP (3). Honestly, most rational UAP analysts believed Elizondo and not Gough. Although there were some who would unquestionably continue to spread what Gough was stating without critical analysis or a second thought. It was almost as if they wanted – or needed – Elizondo's disclosure to go away.

But it didn't.

THURSDAY

09th of January, 2020

'Confusion over programs.'

We now found ourselves in January 2020, and just to confuse things even more, yet another email exchange saw the very chatty Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough interact with Roger Glassel in January of 2020 (2), this time changing the narrative about AATIP, AAWSAP and also the Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS) contract. The newest statements were contradicting and intent on replacing the previous Pentagon statements. Again, Glassel stated the information he received showed that the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program was the *overall name* of the program. While the Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program was only name of the contract that the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) awarded (2). The AAWSAP produced all of technical reports *under* AATIP. Consequently, the DIA awarded the contract to a sole bidder - Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS).

These latest statements contradicted the letter sent by Senator harry Reid requesting AATIP/AAWSAP has 'Special Access' status which would protect it from parties wishing to dismantle the efforts (as we know it failed

and the program was eventually dismantled within DIA). Reid stated that AATIP was a *nickname* for AAWSAP to allow it gain SAP status. Additionally, despite having '*Program'* at the end of AAWSAP, the claim this time is that AAWSAP was the name of the contract and not a specific program that BAASS would receive. Obviously, this statement, as with every other statement, is contradictory to the alternative statements made by those who actually worked within BAASS and the AAWSAP '*contract'*.

All very confusing.

Researcher Glassel goes on to state that when he asked DoD about the true nature of AATIP, Col. Audricia Harris (PAO) had told him that the program studied "*anomalous events (such as sightings of aerodynamic vehicles engaged in extreme manoeuvres, with unique phenomenology, reported by U.S. Navy pilots or other credible sources)"*. Amazingly, Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough then withdrew that statement, saying *"Lt. Col. Harris is no longer with my organization, and I cannot comment on why her explanation of AATIP included that it had looked at anomalous events"*. Gough stated that according to the new official information, AATIP *did not* pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena. Years later, and as we now know, this was a lie thanks to multiple government sources, leaked documents and statements by Senator Reid and employees of AATIP/AAWSAP.

On top of 'restructuring' the AATIP + AAWSAP narrative, here we see Gough really driving the knife home and twisting, pushing further and further, unpicking the official statements of previous Pentagon spokespersons, Dana White, Maj. Harris and Christopher Sherwood that AATIP was a UAP program. The original December 2017 statements in POLITICO and New York Times by Pentagon spokespersons Dana White and Thomas Crosson didn't need to be unpicked because they officially didn't disclose AATIP was UAP/UFO, *per se.* Hypothetically, AATIP's nature could therefore be managed by Gough as existing, but as a foreign technology identification program that ran only until 2012. The problem is when you take it too far, when the evidence is so strongly contradicting, you best hope that the issue doesn't exceed the confines if a handful of bloggers on #UFOTwitter.

As a good man once said to me, *'In the end, truth always prevails*.' He was of course, right. Going forward from the latest Pentagon walk-back in the early January of 2020, we found a new hope in the unlikeliest of places.

In a tactical move that united #UFOTwitter, Luis Elizondo took an interview with John Greenewald. In the written interview, Elizondo stated that he had given '*the Pentagon ample time to deconflict their response and given them the benefit of the doubt that its 'disfunction over palace'* (4). It appeared that the DoD was not making a genuine mistake but had indeed started a process of obfuscation. Keep in mind that at this point (covertly) Elizondo and others had provided documents and testimony to Gough which verified his role and position at AATIP. Despite this, Gough and her unknown sources maintained that Elizondo wasn't at AATIP and that AATIP/AAWSAP wasn't a UAP program. The interview with the Blackvault provided #UFOTwitter with an air of much needed resolution, an understanding between those who had previously fallen pray to the confusion of the Pentagon's inaccuracies. I have always felt like that was the turning point (along with the upcoming Popular Mechanics article of February 2020). That was the moment when the momentum and unity really started to gather pace. At last things were starting to move in favour of Elizondo after some difficult months.

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Conclusions

The AATIP story was the backbone to the UAP initiative in those early years following the December 2017 revelations by The New York Times and POLITICO. Those UAP-Obfuscators within the government knew that to take down AATIP was to take down the momentum and to take down Elizondo and his credibility. If they removed this issue, then the mainstream media would hopefully follow suite and denounce the entire anomalous phenomena issue. The problem was that too many people involved with AAWSAP and AATIP spoke up against the Public Affairs Officer and the people orchestrating the efforts. Those voices included the late Senator Harry Reid who established the program and backed Elizondo throughout the entire saga. The best the obfuscation group could hope for was misinformation and distraction, for if they weren't careful, they might suffer an internal investigation. Or worse, Congressional hearings.

But that couldn't happen, *could it?*

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Chapter Eleven: Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS)

Perhaps the biggest thorn in the side of the UAP-Obfuscators, who were operating from within the Department of Defense (DoD), was the existence of the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP). AAWSAP hid itself through secret funding and an ambiguous program name and would only finally be outed, along with the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) sometime after the Reid/AATIP request for special access program status in 2009. There was seemingly a long-standing hostility from within the bowels of the Department of Defense towards any program which wasn't a deeply classified Special Access Program (SAP), with no data being shared and no oversight or accountability. The problem, as has always existed within the Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) topic, is that do not know the who, what, where, why and how. For all we know the entire 'core story' of anomalous phenomena in advanced technology that crashed and was recovered might not even be accurate. Thus, we don't know what highly classified programs exist and under what department or even if they do exist at all. They may have some oversight by some lawmakers, but we just don't know. What we do know for certain is that UAP Obfuscators within DoD exist and have taken big steps to close the lid on the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) initiative, which included shutting down AAWSAP, AATIP, Mellon and Elizondo. They tried, and they failed. What would become apparent within organisations such as the AAWSAP contractor 'Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies' (BAASS) is that there are some motivated individuals who were pro-UAP transparency (or UAP-Progressionists as we call them). Some of these people would come forward to help change the narrative in favour of the truth and did so at great risk to themselves and their careers. It is thought that some of these associated people became the anonymous sources of journalist Tim McMillan (and others) and did so carefully and diligently. It was long theorised that without this directed intervention, the UAP initiative might have died. Secrecy thrives in the

shadows, but so does the underlying efforts of transparency.

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FRIDAY

14th of February, 2020
'*Fightback.*'

The rain lashed down against the outside of the glass bus shelter as I huddled to keep warm. For almost three straight hours it had heavily rained across the Tees Valley and for two hours fifty-five minutes I had been caught in it. Soaking wet, cold and tired, I was trying to make my way home in the freezing darkness of a late February evening and my efforts were made worse by a slow bus service. With no other person on the dimly lit street, no cars drove past, and no other sounds could be heard besides the constant tapping of rain against the bus shelter on Marton road. The feeling was one of isolation, as though I was waiting for a bus that simply refused to come for me. My fingers froze and were turning an unnatural shade of light blue as they fumbled at the touchscreen to my mobile phone. The time showed 20:24 in the evening. As I glanced down to the social media messages, one stood out in particular which contained a link to an article.

'*This is important. Please read when you can.*'

My mind raced at the thought, the article was the spark I needed to engage. The data was important enough to become active, to be combative and to be galvanised out from the depressive cold darkness. For the very first time, the concept of 'UAP Activism' was about to be born of frustration. As it would turn out, one piece of research and one decisive article would completely turn the game in favour of the UAP progressionists. Flashback to early 2020, and this was a period in which our small group of original '#UFOTwitter' members supported the efforts of Lue Elizondo, when mainstream Ufology did not. In fact, mainstream Ufology believed that the UAP initiative was a conspiracy 'PSY-OP' (Psychological operation - an illegal activity deployed against the American people by an element of its government). Until then, we couldn't get any traction, our support or movement to challenge government on UAP because we spent most of the time in-fighting over Elizondo and AATIP.

Thankfully, that was all about to change.

I placed my phone back into my pocket and left the safety of the bus shelter and headed off into the ensuing downpour that awaited me. Instantly, I became soaked with rain as it lashed down from above and the side and from any other way it could. But it didn't matter, I could no longer wait for a bus which might never come.

I needed to get home.

BAASS 10-month report

In the bitterly cold February of 2020, the UAP-Obfuscators within the Pentagon suffered the first blowback to their 'UAP walk-back initiative' and undoubtedly found themselves on the ropes for the first time since the previous summer. Following the Gough-era statements of AATIP and AAWSAP denials, the 'south-paw' of contradictions came in the form of an investigative journalist. Formerly a detective, the German based freelanced writer was ironically part of the Intercept article from June 2019 that initially released the Pentagon statement that Elizondo wasn't at AATIP. Into the fray stepped Tim McMillan. UAP analysts maintain that he changed the entire narrative in the February of 2020 with his Popular Mechanics article, '*Inside the Pentagon's Secret UFO Program'* (1). Essentially, this was a novel length piece that exposed some very dubious looking half-truths and misinformation that had come from one particular Pentagon spokesperson - *Susan Gough*. It was from this article that social media campaigns were enraged with a prominent sense of anger, without this article there would have been no engagement of Congress via the 'Outreach Program', and no 'End UAP Secrecy' campaign that targeted politicians, media personnel, journalists and scientists through social media efforts. This was the moment we realised that either they were lying, needlessly indifferent or grievously misinformed on a historic level. This was unacceptable with this vitally important world altering UAP issue, there is no room for inaccuracies on their behalf. None.

McMillan had been in contact with individuals who provided him, and Popular Mechanics, access to a BAASS report (10-month report). The report was part of the Pentagon's AAWSAP division that investigated the anomalous phenomena. McMillan stated that '*from cover to cover, the BAASS report references the government's new buzzword for UFOs: UAP'* (1), and essentially nowhere did the report show that AAWSAP was about

foreign terrestrial technology.

What was the significance of this? Breaking it down, Tim McMillan essentially found strong, verified evidence that clearly showed that AAWSAP was a UAP/UFO program whose *funding* ended in 2012. Additionally, there was also no evidence of Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough's claim that AAWSAP investigated advanced terrestrial weapons systems. It begs the serious question - what data was provided to Pentagon's Public Affairs Office (PAO) and from where? Who was doing this?

According to the Popular Mechanics writer Tim McMillan, he was provided with specific documentation to examine and write about (although wasn't permitted to take the report with him). Most significantly, this BAASS 10-month report, dated from the July of 2009, completely undermined the statements of the Pentagon spokesperson. Remember at this point in early 2020 Susan Gough had already stated officially that BAASS was awarded the AAWSAP 'contract' which was all under AATIP, and they did not '*pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena'*.

As we now all know, this was a completely false statement as both AAWSAP and AATIP studied UFOs and associated phenomena.

The following information is taken from the Popular Mechanics article, *'Inside the Pentagon's Secret UFO program,'* and shows exactly the intentions of both BAASS and AAWSAP with their interest in the 'anomalous' phenomena. McMillan shows within the article that the overview of the BAASS physics division was to conduct research on advanced aerospace vehicles and measure the effects and signatures associated with unidentified aerial phenomena, this also included any biological effects (1). The BAASS report that McMillan managed to get his hands on showed that 'Skinwalker Ranch' in Utah was a '*laboratory for studying other intelligences and possible inter-dimensional phenomena'*. Additionally, the report mentions a request for all Bluebook files that weren't made public and to create wide public targeted debate forums on the *'potential disclosure of an extra-terrestrials presence'*.

Remember that this '10-month report' was part of BAASS, and BAASS was a contractor to AAWSAP, and AAWSAP (as well as AATIP) was an official Pentagon program which investigated UAP. Finally, one of the more interesting points made within the BAASS report was that of *'Project Northern Tier'*, which essentially involved receiving secret documents and reports directly related to instances of UAP that flew over highly restricted

airspaces and facilities housing nuclear weapons.

Think about this very carefully.

If AAWSAP (and AATIP) *didn't* investigate UAP, why was the AAWSAP contractor BAASS loaded with UFOs? Why were they wanting data on Project Bluebook? Why do they mention UAP and the biological effects? Why does 'UFO' apparently appear 16 times in the BAASS ten-month report and the word *'anomalous'* appear 27 times? And most importantly, why did the former director of AATIP – Luis Elizondo and the former director of AAWSAP – Dr. James Lacatski, both openly confirm their programs were to investigate UAP and associated phenomena?

It meant, the Pentagon was lying about having UAP/UFO programs, and what they found.

The other important part of the McMillan article was the release of the Kit Green 'DIRD', his on-record testimony, and the fact that McMillan made the DoD aware of the existence of the documentation prior to the articles release. Kit Green stated that AAWSAP was a 'UFO program' which outwardly was made to look like it hadn't anything to do with UFOs. A clever tactic to hide a program, but not so clever if you want to one day come out and make it public – the very tactic used to hide it is the same tactic used to bury it. Remember, that at this point Susan Gough had already stated to Glassel in January 2020 (a month before the McMillan article) that AAWSAP was the *contract* part of AATIP, and that AATIP itself ended in 2012 – which was highly contradicted on both counts. She also tried to state that AATIP/AAWSAP weren't UAP programs – again, untrue, as both are confirmed as UAP by their independent directors (Elizondo and Lacatski, respectively). The multiple anonymous sources that were in contact with McMillan stated that not only did AATIP not end in 2012, but the program is still ongoing to this day and operates as a UAP program. Up until this point in early 2020, the general consensus (within the wider Ufology world – not #UFOTwitter) was that Elizondo was trying to scam the UFO world, which wasn't true. The debunkers tried to argue he was tricking the world into believing UFOs existed whilst the old guard Ufologists tried to argue he was tricking the world into a disinformation campaign *against* UFOs. All of which was conspiracy bullshit. When the Popular Mechanics article was released in February 2020, it changed everything in the UAP war for disclosure. Thanks to McMillan, we now had the trust of the UFO field, which meant access to much larger numbers who joined the cause fought to

pressure media and government into acknowledging the seriousness that UAP presents.

And things were about to get better.

WEDNESDAY

11th is March, 2020

'Contradicting themselves.'

At face value, something very strange was happening with the Pentagon spokespersons when it came down to being able to find and present factual information on AATIP/AAWSAP and UAP. The Pentagon's statements and FOIA responses were extremely contradictory, and they struggled to show their workings – if this was mathematics exam the schoolteacher would send their work back and ask them to explain her calculations. Whilst one part of the United States Government officially told the American public that UAP didn't exist, another part was internally briefing Congress that they did exist – all behind closed doors, all at the classified level.

Specifically, we know that the Senate Armed Forces Committee had a briefing on Unidentified Aerial Phenomena in the March of 2020 (2). Also, reported via The New York Times, other UAP briefings had occurred with the Senate Armed Services Committee on Wednesday, October 21st, 2019, and to staff members of the Senate Intelligence Committee two days later on Friday, October 23rd, 2019 (3). Whatever was happening was significant and yet done in secret.

The March of 2020 brought up a lot of debate on this issue. Even now we must be careful on accusing people within government of obfuscation without more understanding of the exact situation. Now, as with back then, we weren't sure if there was any illegal or unethical element to what was occurring, or even whether this was part of a wider DoD policy. The question as to if there is some validity to claims that she (Gough) is transpiring to coordinate all UAP FOIA answers through herself (4) is still uncertain, despite Inspector General investigations into how the DoD have handled UAP transparency. Rumours circulated at the time that she is NOT a duly appointed FOIA officer but has still made requests to consolidate all UAP unclassified data through herself. A 'UFO-Cover up' is so 1990s X-Files-

cliche, the fact that such a concept might actually be real is beyond startling and difficult to believe. Interesting to note at this point, we see reported issues by other journalists. Journalist Tyler Rogoway of 'The Drive/The Warzone', wrote about being stonewalled by Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough. The suggestion was that she would respond with an apology, and then disappear again for months without responding (5). Rumour also has it that a similar story was told by Journalist Tim McMillan, who apparently was asked by Gough to delay the February article until she had more time to respond. Thankfully, Popular Mechanics went ahead regardless. When McMillan requested an updated statement from the illusive spokesperson, she again ignored the requests (*maybe they were in her junk email box?).*

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Conclusions

Long have I praised Tim McMillan for his investigation into UAP. Unlike the other individuals who were associated in the Intercept article of 2020, McMillan wasn't bound by narrative and actively sought to uncover the truth – not his desired version of it. When he published for Popular Mechanics about the AAWSAP contract BAASS, he obliterated the claims by Susan Gough and exposed the real truth behind the Pentagon's programs and the government investigation into the anomalous phenomena. That was a turning point for the UAP initiative, and the moment people realised that the United States Department of Defense had misled the American people. McMillan fought against AATIP/AAWSAP disinformation and continued to do so with his media organisation *The Debrief*. He refused to be the mouthpiece of the Pentagon in exchange for privileged and timely responses and for that he will forever have his place in the UAP initiative. Equally, we should applaud the anonymous sources associated to BAASS who provided data and off record testimony. Without them we would still be waiting by the side of the road, in the rain, awaiting something that might never appear.

At last we had the spark we needed to engage the issue with the birth of anomalous activism.

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Chapter Twelve: The #EndUAPSecrecy Campaign

Full disclosure, I used to really hate activists with a passion. That may seem surreal for someone who has spent the last four years leading the charge against government secrecy when it comes to the issue of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). I was never an idealist in the sense of pursuing 'manufactured outrage', as I saw it in my younger years. Quite the opposite in fact. Any honest self-assessment leads me to consider my persona, prior to 2013, was orientated towards self-preservation and taking whatever I could take from this life without giving much of anything back. Naturally, my hatred for all types of activists and activism was very evident and one might have argued that my life lesson of recent years was humility. It is clear to me now that ignorance into late adolescence came naturally, or at least for me it did in those early 21st century noughties as I found myself pitted against a world I didn't care to understand. My Peter Pan syndrome of a directionless youth led me from university degree to university degree but without ever fulfilling my thirst for whatever it was I was seeking. Sex, drugs and late-night partying eroded my sense of self-efficacy and undoubtedly increased my egotistical self-importance in the short term, but long term this was never going to be sustainable. As it would turn out, I had an unattainable longing for meaning in my life and one which high academic achievement wouldn't fill nor would the highs and lows of chasing shadows. In my early twenties, and through spending time on York University campus, I encountered and experienced many misguided activist types. Idealists. '*Projectionists'*, as you might call them. Essentially, people with whom you simply resonate with or understand due to their alienating attitudes and behaviours. Yes, they were nice people, well meaning, and even kind in a sort of overly generous way. However, at the same time I found them annoying undergraduates who were looking to work through their own personal angst by chaining themselves to various public properties and hurling abuse at officials. Not that I'm advocating against their various causes and equally that wasn't the case back in the academic year of 2006 to 2007 either. The issue at the time was, well… me. I was indifferent to reality, apathetic, self-orientated and probably not 'self-actualised' to be able to make that next step to helping

others in a way that some of these activists were.

It wasn't until I met my future wife in the February of 2007 that something changed within me, maybe I grew up finally, or maybe she made me want to me a better person. Either way, by the time I had personally stumbled across the weird Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) topic in the April of 2013 I felt a pull to the phenomena in a way which was disclosure-orientated in nature. Did I dare to accept the '*A*' word in my subconscious? Could activism be something that is a viable position to take, the correct path to follow? How does one continue to feel a sense of apathy when suddenly you find yourself caring about an issue?

Finally, something was important to me, something that transcended past my own sense of importance and need to feed my fragile ego with instant highs. In that moment when you realise UFOs are real, something changes inside you, or at least it did for me as I stood in my kitchen. I had my own 'Holy Fuck' moment in 2013, a moment which brings you from one world to another, one confusing reality into the next confusing reality, and suddenly, you are aware of the anomalous in all its terrifying beauty. For me, in that moment the very start of activism pulled at me like never before, instructing me to think about UFOs and the wider world. In that moment I no longer hated activists; I had just become one. It was happening for me and whatever it meant to become such a person, on such a path, in such a life, was awaiting me.

Life would never be the same.

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SUNDAY

26th of April, 2020

'Ready to start.'

For the past seventy-years, and for almost as long as the modern phenomena has existed, so have efforts to push governments to take seriously the issue of what historically is known as Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). The term 'UFO' itself was introduced during the years of Project Bluebook – which some have said constituted a United States Airforce (USAF) pseudo-effort to investigate objects and devices of unknown origin.

The concept of UFOs as a terminology, it is believed, was to replace the more definitive ‘Flying Saucer’ or ‘Flying Disc’ descriptions which strongly inferred non-human technology (anomalous). In hindsight, the untenable nature of the phenomena wrapped itself in secrecy. The high variation of geometrically shaped craft ensured confusion and obfuscation was made easy for those wanting to hide their existence, that and the fact the anomalous play hide and seek with our collective human consciousness.

Even within the recent acknowledgments by the Department of Defense (DoD), Congress, and the vague ‘UAP Report’ (2021), we can note the intentional absence of craft details and specific case data. Thankfully, we know some data through recent Navy Pilot, intelligence officials and military personnel testimony that the shape and movements of these anomalous phenomena are radical, and potentially beyond the scope and understanding of human technology. The problem is that without the openly available classified gun camera footage of multiple fighter pilot engagements with UAP, we are left with big pieces missing from this puzzle and impacts how we as ‘UAP Activists’ approach the issue. This puts us - the advocate of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP) - in a difficult position, particularly if we wish to strike the importance of this issue with senior members of government. In short, our current position to prove these encounters are ‘non-human’ is problematic, even now in a post UAP Congressional legislation world.

Firstly, we simply do not know the true origin of these UAP. There are limitless anomalous hypothetical considerations that we as humans might not have even begun to understand. Ufology (amateur study of UFOs) as a field is notoriously terrible for applying less than scientific standards, whilst wanting to verify every conspiracy from ‘Secret Space Programs’ to ‘The Queen is a Lizard’. Then for Ufology to lazily claim UFOs are solely ‘extra-terrestrial’ without *concrete proof* that can be verified is as redundant to our cause as claiming these objects and devices are clumsy Chinese drones.

Secondly, and strangely even more important, is that trying to tell seven billion people that *aliens* exist and that they are here flying around - who possess a technology we have no match against whilst they abduct people - is not a viable strategy. In fact, it is a downright farcical position to adopt and is very much why certain efforts were instigated from behind the scenes leading up to December 2017.

As activists, the only way forward was to align ourselves with the

public. We also needed to consider that stigma and stereotyping of the UFO issue is built into Western society. The standard default response is to ridicule the very notion of anything extra-terrestrial and in a strange way it almost seems like a collective defence mechanism to protect the fragility of subjective reality. You don't have to have degrees in Psychology to understand the most basic principles about the collective social-psyche angst and how it would monstrously present in a culture who all have watched the film 'Independence Day'. The 'event disclosure' pushback would be on another scale with the potential for looting, rioting, stock market crashes, the fall of religion overnight, terrorism and new spiritual wars over new 'alien gods' are all very real possibilities to be navigated.

The third and final consideration of promoting 'non-human disclosure' is that we live in a world which implements the scientific process. Without bodies or craft, non-blurry videos and limited pilot testimony there is nothing for the scientific community to evaluate and analyse, and with the standard of evidence at an incredibly high level this is an issue which is almost impossible to believe. *Almost*. With these concepts in mind we must address the significant difference between 'UFO Disclosure' of little green extra-terrestrial men and the emerging modern day activism efforts of 'UAP Activism'.

In UAP activism we stripped everything back to its baseline and completely sidestepped the crazy conspiracies and ridiculous Ufology notions that wouldn't stand up to the scientific process. The #UFOTwitter initiative housed the UAP revolution, #EndUAPSecrecy and UAPMediaUK played their part alongside other efforts such as '*The Big Phone Home'*, most of whom adapted the new activism methodology. In doing this we reduced the stigma enough for the mainstream to have the conversation about a technology which was revolutionary. We made no conclusions to the occupants of UAP or their origins, but at the same time could consider the hypothetical implications without subscribing to them.

*Point of note, it is not that all of what occurred in Ufology was irrelevant and untrue, but the noise was drowning out the signal. At the time I wrote the following as my alias.

"We are centralists, we do not subscribe to any conclusive UAP origin. We advocate a scientific, holistic methodology that doesn't conclude on limited data or seek to actively debunk. We campaign for a scientific

government program to investigate UAP"

- Andreas Freeman Stahl, Twitter (2021)

There was a critical difference between the approaches of UAP and UFO. It must be said that we should applaud the efforts generations past who stood at the White House and Parliament with signs demanding the government take seriously the 'extra-terrestrial' presence. Whilst it was the wrong methodology, it was with the right intentions. With this in mind we must consider that street-protests only increase the stigmatisation of UAP. There is always the risk of protesters wearing alien costumes which reduces the effort and makes the whole endeavour not credible in the eyes of the mainstream. Then there is the real possibility of insignificant turn-out numbers to be laughed at by any journalists writing for a tabloid 'weird-section' with a few well-placed opportunists to spread a baseless conspiracy or two. As seen with 'Storm-Area 51' in the September of 2019, such events are open to a silly atmosphere rather than a serious approach. This is a hallmark of an old paradigm. A historical thinking towards activism which heavily relied on the extra-terrestrial hypothesis as its baseline. Well meaning, but ineffective.

A history of UFO activism

Whilst there are many who have historically fought for the truth, we can only mention those who played a significant role due to the time and space constraints of this book. History tells us that efforts started as the late 1940s and early 1950s. Major Donald Keyhoe was a very significant advocate for some of the first 'Flying Saucer' truth movements. He implored that 'Flying Saucer' technology wasn't human made way back in the 1950s and spoke at the Airforce press briefing in 1952 following the famous Washington DC case in which unknown objects outran fighter jets over the United States capital. In 1958 Keyhoe would appear on national American television in an interview with Mike Wallace (1) and declare that flying saucers were of interplanetary origin.

This same origin approach was true for the efforts of Mercury and Gemini Astronaut Gordon Cooper (1927 – 2004) who stated openly, "*I believe that these extra-terrestrial vehicles and their crews are visiting this planet from other planets"*.

On the 04th of November 1978, Astronaut Cooper wrote a letter to the

United Nations urging them to take UFOs seriously. Cooper had his own sightings in 1951 in which he stated the objects were of different sizes and flying in fighter formation from east to west over Europe. The UFOs Cooper sighted were at a higher altitude than his jet could reach at that time in the early 1950s (2). Copper also stated he was given film reel footage of a flying disc that landed on a dry desert lakebed and described it as "*typical saucer shape, metallic"*. The disc then took off and disappeared at a high rate of speed (3). Interesting to note that following Gordon Cooper's pursuit of the truth, the fight would be taken up by another astronaut, Edgar Mitchell, who would become an influential voice in the fight to end UFO secrecy.

In 1977, an organisation was formed in the United States called 'Citizens Against UFO Secrecy' (CAUS) that advocated for the release/declassification of UFO information from within government. They used the term extra-terrestrial as part of their mission campaign (4).

One year later in 1978, the United Nations campaign by the small obscure country of Grenada brought some attention to the phenomenon (5) (6), however nothing materialised with this, particularly when the Western powers were clamped down in a Cold War with the Soviet Union and refused to act on the issue.

The 1990s brought a UFO Renaissance that revolved around the 1947 Roswell incident, Bob Lazar and Area 51, the Rockefeller initiative and the Phoenix Lights case (1997) to name but a few. Arguably, the most important aspect of the 90's obsession with UFOs was the interest by Hilary and Bill Clinton. President Bill Clinton advocated for UFO truth on behalf of his friend Laurence Rockefeller. Amazingly, a briefing document was sent by Laurence Rockefeller to the White House's science advisor Dr. John Gibbons on February 29th, 1996 (7). The President of the United States, Bill Clinton, knew that there was something occurring in secret. He would in later years confirm that he requested an investigation into what the military knew about Roswell and Area 51 (8). As a result, the Airforce would consequently release two very biased official reports in 1994 and 1997 (9) which exclaimed 'Case Closed' on the Roswell Incident. I've read the report and was quite astonished by the complete lack of witness testimony to the case which very clearly cherry-picks data in favour of the Project Mogul weather balloon hypothesis. Either way, Roswell was an important part of the disclosure efforts at that time and would fade from public awareness after the two reports and a debunked alien autopsy video.

The backdrop to this 1990s era was signalled by the fall of the Berlin Wall on the 9th of November 1989, and the collapse of the Iron Curtain. The Soviet Union would dissolve on the 25th of December 1991 and brought with it a new hope that the UFO secrecy would no longer be needed. Early promise would fade, and no such transparency would be forthcoming, even after the Cold War ended.

The 1990s was my childhood era. Known as the Golden Age of Multiculturalism, it was a time when a seldom understood internet was beginning to form. Brit-Pop bands such as Oasis and Blur were competing with the American Grunge scene and from out of Brazil came a little international football star called Juninho who would sign for a small town club called Middlesbrough (10). The 1990s seemed like a decade in which anything at all was possible and anything could be achieved with the right attitude. Popularised by the X-Files TV show, the teen drama Roswell, and films such as ‘Men in Black’ and ‘Independence Day’, Western pop-culture took to the idea of extra-terrestrials.

By the end of the 90’s it was an emergency doctor who would be pushing for disclosure under what was originally termed ‘Project Starlight’. Within Ufology, Dr. Steven Greer has been considered a significant advocate of UFO truth and peaceful contact with extra-terrestrials. It was his team in the early May 2001 that formulated the ‘disclosure project’ which brought forward military witnesses to testify to the reality of the phenomenon (11).

Stephen Bassett’s Citizen Hearing on Disclosure (CHD) in the April of 2013 (12) was the next major push which got the attention of mainstream, although the feedback was negative from journalists at the time who stated there was *"too many Mulders and not enough Scullys"* at the mock hearing. The event was set over five days at the National Press Club in Washington and involved witness testimony that was given to former members of Congress. Despite the negative mainstream media reaction to the mock hearings, the main significance was the CHD was on YouTube and the internet and spread quickly with videos going viral. For the first time in UFO history people had instant access to information, and that came through a mobile device in their pocket. Whereas the majority of everyday people had been relatively separated over the past century, suddenly people could examine UFO data and speak to others around the world instantly. Maybe it is also with a sense of cosmic coincidence that the military sighting reports really started to increase from 2013 onwards, and also from the moment I

personally became aware of the phenomena.

Evaluating the various psychosocial models that integrate the diffusion of information, it was pretty clear that the UFO issue was causing, and predicted to cause, significant civil unrest. A distrust in government through extreme dissonance was occurring when the people were seeing and experiencing one thing, but being told another by authorities.

When Steven Bassett engaged a 'tweet storm' in 2014, he pushed not only extra-terrestrial presence in tweets to Congressional staffers, but also the 'Rockefeller Initiative' - a 1990s campaign that involved Hillary Clinton and Laurence Rockefeller to engage the UFO issue.

Arguably, as with historical efforts, this was the wrong methodology but with the right intention. Once you (as the *believer*) proclaim extra-terrestrials and the government is saying weather balloons, the campaign fails under extreme cognitive dissonance of the observer (the public sphere). This is a common, reoccurring theme and the main barrier to disclosure which we address in detail throughout this book series. Whilst only a handful of people joined in the tweet storm to Congressional representatives (myself included), the subject matter of both UFOs and the Rockefeller Initiative was profoundly too complex, stigmatising and poorly understood to be acted upon. Despite the well meaning, but ineffective 2014 twitter campaign and congressional push by Stephen Bassett (13), he did get something very right – *social media activism* – the first time such a concept had been used in this forum and thus one I cannot take credit for. This is how I was originally inspired. This was the key to the entire modern 'disclosure' movement, only with a few modifications, tweaking of methodologies and alternative strategic approach.

Instead of UFO we use UAP, a terminology that could be adapted and used in the mainstream. Instead of extra-terrestrials we assign an unknown origin, eliminating the stigma instantly. And instead of drawing upon secret government pushback conspiracies we simply say the government system and its UAP accountability has failed and is in need of reform.

Unfortunately, back in 2014 we didn't have the military and government personnel coming forward with testimony and coming forward in favour of the reality of UAP technology. At the time, the highest ranking official to speak on UFOs came from John Podesta – political advisor to President Barack Obama from 2014 to 2015. In 2014, he famously tweeted that his regret was not securing the disclosure of the UFO files (14) and was

at the time the only person connected to the White House who knew the reality of the phenomena. Analysts have stated Podesta knew about the issue going back to the Rockefeller initiative and was influential in both President Clinton taking an interest and Hillary Clinton making UFOS part of her election campaign in 2016 (15).

*Note that Clinton was the first official to use the term UAP in public – although she got it wrong by saying *'Unexplained*' instead of Unidentified when appearing on the Jimmy Kimmel show in 2016 (16).

This was in line with a sequence of questions asked to high-ranking officials by Kimmel, who also asked Presidents Bush (W.H.), Clinton (Bill) and Obama the UFO question (17). Credit to Kimmel for asking the stigmatised question in a pre-2017 era and credit to journalist Lee Speigel who was one of the few journalists to report seriously on the topic. Whilst I spent most of those pre-Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) years debating sceptics such as James Oberg in the comments section of the HuffPost, the world was lacking any serious foothold to UFOs. We needed more than just a few throw away jokey comments made by former Presidents on a chat show.

MONDAY

27th of April, 2020

'*Unidentified*.'

Over two years after the leaks of 'GIMBAL', 'GOFAST' and 'FLIR1' to The New York Times and Washington Post by Christopher Mellon in 2017 and 2018 respectively, we finally got a major boost to the campaign. As unlikely as it seemed back in those early years, the United States Government would officially release the three 'UAP' videos to the public, labelling them as 'Unidentified' which was an official classification in itself. At the time, Tom Delonge's Instagram Post that day would read '*The Pentagon just officially released the videos... just saying*,' (18). We have to consider that it was Delonge's company, To The Stars Academy of Arts and Science (TTSA) that helped secure the videos and released them at the same time as the Times and Post. Elizondo and Mellon were both part of TTSA from 2017-2020 and therefore it made sense that they had access to the three videos. The release of the three videos was a major turning point, at the time consider that Congressional briefings were occurring *with* those exact videos

and with additional data and testimony – meaning – the Pentagon and the DoD couldn't claim the videos were fake or not part of their inventory when they had already acknowledged them to Congress. As we were told, the videos were forced into being released by DoD, *reluctantly*.

This was a major blow to debunkers, who, up until that point had claimed the videos were fake and did not belong to the DoD. In fact, one particular Ufologist at the time made a career out of trying to prove the videos didn't undergo the declassification process. The official DoD release and statement killed off most *scepticism*, allowing us to consolidate the three videos into the two UAP cases for the mainstream: USS Nimitz (2004) and the USS Roosevelt (2014/15). However, to think this would be the end of the anti-UAP initiative was premature. 'Pseudo-debunkers' as we call them doubled down and tried every dirty trick in the play book to ensure as much mud was kicked up in the air as possible. You see the aim of the debunker isn't to find the truth, it is to ensure that confusion and uncertainty occurs, thus reducing the impact and eventually dismantling the concept of UAP. This is one way in how the secret has been kept for so long.

TUESDAY

28th of April, 2020

'Making Waves.'

Around this timeframe, a new face would appear on the activism scene and shape the modern era efforts. A pleasant gentleman by the name of 'Mike' from Germany who went by the handle of @UAP1949 would become the 'silent activist assassin'. He used videos to quickly expose credible data to the public and did so with devastating effect. His main target was the twitter account of Elon Musk, who was notorious for bad mouthing UAP credibility on social media. It was Mike's devastatingly effective 'short video' approach that would revolutionise social media UAP activism and inspire myself and others within the #EndUAPSecrecy (a technique now used widespread in todays #UFOTwitter world to get information out). The campaign's methodology to use bite-size UAP videos that could be quickly and easily inserted into social media was fantastic, suddenly we had a real weapon in our arsenal. Some have argued that this was the technique that really sparked the concept of social media UAP activism and credited much success to it. Up until that point, myself and Dan, my fellow activist from

UAPMediaUK, had been only using picture cards with a short quote from the various Navy Pilots. The introduction of the 30 second to 2-minute UAP video, showing pilots and servicemen speak openly about these anomalous phenomena, allowed an injection of quick digestible data into social media had access to millions.

We could see the impact in real time. Suddenly, we had the means, we had the motivation, and now we had the methodology. The release of the three UAP videos by the DoD was perfect timing. Mike the UAP activist, trail-blazed and set the UAP activism field on fire. That Tuesday, his GIMBAL UAP video (19) posted below the CBS news tweet reached millions thanks to being used and shown twice on the Joe Rogan Experience Podcast with Tim Pool #1465 (can view at the 1-minute mark) (20). Also it was repeated on the '*JRE short clips'* episode: '*Joe Rogan and Tim Pool go Deep on UFOs*', the view count (as of 03/02/2022) was over 5 million views. Then on the episode: '*Joe Rogan Experience #1465 - Tim Pool'*, the view count was over 7 million views, (*as of 24/06/2022*) (21).

As it would turn out, Mike's video was seen and taken by Rogan and his team from the comments section of the CBS News social media account for twitter with the following quotation:

"The aerial phenomena observed in the videos remain characterized as "unidentified."

- Mike @UAP1949, Twitter, (2020)

At its very basic core, this was how information is disseminated effectively. While we don't have the ability to get UAP information out to the public, we can influence others how do have a bigger and wider spread audience. This long-term campaign strategy taught us that not only were important people of influence watching the comments sections of major news articles and media personalities, but also that we could interject UAP information quickly and effectively as part of an education strategy. Although we had been using the technique of picture cards within the comments sections, it wasn't until we realised just how important the short video process could be that we followed Mike's example. At the time, a person associated with DoD spoke to me and highlighted just how impressed he was with #UFOTwitter – he remarked on the incredible reach of the platform.

Another of Mike's influential short UAP information videos posted to social media would receive 100k views within a few days of posting. The video was posted to Elon Musk's twitter account as a reply to one of his own

tweets. The video itself showed famed physicist Michio Kaku on Fox News explaining that the United States government has recorded these unknown objects and they can now be measured scientifically. Below is the quote in the tweet used by Mike (22).

'The USS Princeton had been tracking these UFOs, which would appear at 80,000 feet, drop to about 50 feet above the water in less than 2 seconds, and hover over the water for a while. Then they would leave radar range or shoot back up into the sky.

- Mike @UAP1949 Twitter, (2020).

The tweet (online data taken 07/03/2022) had received 130k views/ 395 Retweets / 61 Quotes / 1334 Likes. This told us that Elon Musk's followers were paying attention to the comments section and was receiving big exposure. From my own account I followed the same approach and began posting a 'GIF' of the Tic-Tac (created by Dan- UAPMediaUK) which gave an example of its incredible speed. My own tweet received 83 Retweets / 4 Quotes / 582 Likes / 259,109 Impressions / 84,467 Media Views / 24,345 Total Engagements. We were receiving a relatively high numbers of views and engagements and done with simple short 2-minute videos that showed Congressional Senators and Navy Pilots testimony about anomalous encounters. Small input, big output. We had a unique formula and a very effective formula.

For months and months across 2020, as the world went into lockdown from Covid-19, we all but forced the twitter-verse and the internet to evaluate the UAP initiative in real time. We did this over and over, day after day, week after week, pushing UAP data into everything and anyone with a substantial following.

We just kept going.

This campaign was all housed under the community hashtags '#UFOTwitter and EndUAPSecrecy'. Thanks to (@mothmanalien), who advised we branch out to TikTok, I started posting UAP videos into that platform also. To date my highest viewed video (posted in 2021) is of President Obama acknowledging the anomalous objects that has 247k views, 12k likes and over 700 comments. At the time, I had close to ten alternative accounts which were posting promotional UAP videos and information around the clock into the mainstream – the consequence was that I would be

reported (consistently by unknown people who didn't like what I was doing) and then I would have to reset my accounts which took time and effort. But it was worth it, the world deserves the truth about the existence of the anomalous phenomena and that's what mattered. Even if I helped the UAP initiative in some small way then I could be proud of what I did.

WEDNESDAY

29th of April, 2020
'Outreach Program.'

In the April of 2020, not long after the DoD officially released the three UAP videos, we formed the very first UAP activism initiative that focused on the engagement of Ufology. My idea was that Ufology had hundreds of thousands of members/ 'believers' that lay dormant in their own subcultures – waiting to be awoken and changed into UAP activists. The concept of Mike's short video approach gave me an idea of taking that methodology under the emerging #EndUAPSecrecy campaign. From there I considered the 'Outreach Program' originally called the 'Outreach Project', which essentially was a mechanism that pushed UAP terminology into UFO believers and then have them write their Congressional representatives. We had hundreds of people contacting Congress, advocating UAP investigations.

The movement was first housed from our own 'The Unidentified' website and used the DoD UAP videos that had been released as a baseline to engage. It worked. Sean Cahill of SkyFort (Nimitz Encounters witness) backed the initiative and filmed a promotional video on YouTube urging people to get out there and do something.

FRIDAY

01st of May, 2020
'Closed doors, open minds.'

Unbeknownst to us on the outside, there was movement behind the scenes. Internal structures within the United States Government were starting to push information in the right direction. That Friday, May 1st 2020, a highly sensitive and classified briefing was being generated about the UFO / UAP presence (23). Sources would additionally confirm to us in later years

that the briefings took place as stated by Corbell in 2021. The Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) spearheaded the briefings – the concepts were to de-stigmatise the issue and better facilitate information sharing and transparency. Corbell reported that this UAP briefing was a follow on to the previous ONI briefing, which happened back on the 18th of October, 2019. Both the 2019 and the 2021 briefings were widely distributed across a range of sensitive intelligence networking platforms such as SIPRNet and JWICS. The content would conclude upon swarm of anomalous phenomena which engaged Navy vessels off the West Coast of the United States in July of 2019. Reportedly, they included unusual shapes such as 'Spheres' and 'Pyramids'. However more data is officially needed to confirm these cases. Corbell, would report that the UAP intelligence briefing was generated to de-stigmatise and educate personnel on the anomalous phenomena, thus promoting further transparency. The briefing is said to have contained details from the West Coast incursions of summer 2019. This included ten-twelve UAP photos and an estimated ten videos. The briefing is also said to have included three events series – including the W-72 East Coast incursions (2019), the USS Russell 'Pyramids' and USS Omaha 'Sphere' (2019). *See Case Reports chapter for details.

SATURDAY

09th of May, 2020

'Morning.'

That Saturday morning it was reported by Danny Silva and others (24) that the Pentagon Public Affairs Officer (PAO) had been circumventing the Freedom of Information Act process to thwart UAP information. Leaked emails that had been posted to Twitter by researcher Dean Johnson (25) showed an interesting exchange between Susan Gough and various members of the United States Airforce (USAF). Even at that time, well before serious aggrievances to the Investigation General claims were filed, there were rumblings of an actual conspiracy. Seemingly, the claim was that Gough was going above and beyond her role as a PAO to orchestrate what unclassified information could or couldn't be released to the American public. I remember airing on the side of caution, after all, we weren't knowledgeable about the oversight powers that a PAO has. However, at the time we were informed by some of our anonymous sources that what was happening wasn't exactly

legal.

The success and deliberation of the UAP protest from the withholding of unclassified information was undoubtedly another spark to activism. The red *'no entry sign'* across the avatars of #UFOTwitter members sparked motivation and momentum. More than that, it showed us that for the first time in history we had a formula that could push back against the UAP secrecy.

Within the month of May it became clear that something behind the scenes had happened. For the first time we started to see individuals flood onto our little platform of #UFOTwitter, some very clearly there to disrupt any progression. For example, the 'Julia' type of account whose social media bio said they were interested in 'UFOs' but then would target specific journalists such as Tim McMillan in the hope of influencing him against UAP credibility. One account really creeped me out, that of a 'GS-10' signature with an avatar of a skull with an army helmet. That individual seemed to be different to the others, the way he talked and interacted was measured, controlled and almost unempathetically clinical. After that, he didn't last long with Paul Reddington (UAP activist) and his team running him off the platform. Despite some clear government involvement, not all of these individuals were menacing. One such individual went by the name of '*Nonameburecrat'* who gave off a certain vibe, possibly, he was one of the few former DoD individuals who took positively to the community. Another was 'James Grey,' who was allegedly connected to the DoD (although was never verified), he and other anonymous accounts at the time would suddenly reach out and advise me on activism strategy. By the beginning of May, there was an influx of interested parties who had realised the scope, reach and potential for our #UFOTwitter platform. NoNameBureaucrat made an interesting comment (26).

'Has anyone taken a moment and realize what is happening here? This is history in the making, and everyone is on board the train, together. For the first time in history, we have the GVT bureaucrats on the run! Is this the paradigm moment? Is it the "calm before the storm. Are we at critical mass? The snowball is now in motion and is rolling faster, and faster. Perhaps now the question is: "what side of history do you want to be on?" The side that was right? Or the side that was wrong? I think we are seeing a slow and steady shift...thank God!'

- NoNameBureaucrat, Twitter, (2020)

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Conclusions

Without doubt there was a push to ensure that the UAP effort was successful. Whilst we couldn't verify or identify the vast majority of anonymous accounts giving us activists advice and information, it was clear to us that some were genuinely working the effort. Anonymity was an important part of the campaign on both sides of the government divide. Even I was using the alias *Andreas Freeman Stahl* to protect myself from troll attacks, which sadly came quicker and harder following the summer of 2019.

We are under no illusion that 'Disclosure' would have always happened without #UFOTwitter, I have no doubt of that. We as activists were a small part of that process which allowed voices to be heard and information to be passed to the right people. However, it was always Mellon, Elizondo and their extended team behind the scenes who managed to convince Congress to look at the evidence. Despite our small role in the UAP initiative, we are proud to have supported the big game players who carried the ball down the field. Maybe in some strange way, that in itself is the point of being a UAP activist, to fight for the truth in the face of uncertainty, regardless of whether what we do matters or makes a difference. Maybe the point was not that we did what we did for the accolades and adulation, but maybe the point was that we tried anyways. There will be countless individuals who carried the fight to the secrecy between 2017 and 2022, they along with ourselves will never be recognised for what they did in those years. The world will be ignorant of those people's actions in the face of the unbelievable revelations that 'aliens' are here on Earth. The important part here is that the world gets to acknowledge the reality of the anomalous phenomena, and that's the entire point of this whole thing.

I think I can live with that.

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Chapter Thirteen: The Congressional UAP campaign

From late on in the calendar year 2019 and well into the summer of 2020, we considered the idea that reaching out to Congress was the direction to take. Starting a Congressional campaign might be an important part of getting UAP awareness to lawmakers and creating a positive social climate. Potentially, we could get people from with Ufology and #UFOTwitter to contact their representatives and request a serious investigation into what the Navy pilots were reporting. It was important for us to show Congress that we were rational, non-conspiracy minded researchers and activists who wanted accountability and answers of the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). In a way, we were also reframing Ufology as well as the concept of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) into something more socially acceptable, science based, and conspiracy-free. For too long had UFO researchers been represented as kooky crackpots and bleach drinking conspiracy lunatics in the media. Therefore, our approach needed to be methodological, precise and contentious with regard to how we phrased and worded our template letters. Gone are the crazy statements about our extra-terrestrial space brothers come to save us, which we replaced by the unambiguous claims of '*we don't know whose technology this is*'. Which is true, we don't know origin or intention of the anomalous phenomena, only that it is highly likely not human, based on the extreme technologies reported going back 70 years. Most importantly, we above all needed to show that our activism position represented the generic understanding of the non-UFO American public, not Ufologists. A difficult task but one which was necessary for us to change the psychosocial climate of the mainstream.

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SATURDAY
09th of May, 2020
'Afternoon.'

On the third floor of the suburban attic room which overlooked Linthorpe

in the Springtime, my focus drifted to the clear blue sky above me, below me the avenue of Cherry Blossom trees bloomed to signal new life and new hope. The afternoon could easily be mistaken for a warm summer afternoon as the bright sunshine beamed down upon the large leafy gardens that sprawled down and away across the spacious undergrowth below. Spring was always my favourite time of year, full of anticipation, promise and innovation. The thought of brighter days always lifted my spirits during the darker days of winter which is often extremely cold most years in the north. Personally, I always found that spring brings with it new possibilities or 'blue sky thinking' as some call it.

Sitting down to my father's chair from the attic window brought comfort from standing too long, I glared at my computer screen and thought about the draft letter I would eventually send to someone I am not at liberty to mention. Well, it is not that I *can't* mention such issues, it is just I've never got the permission to mention, and my unwritten rule is I won't openly discuss people, events or places without confirmation. The person would be sent a draft of my activism proposal for guidance, and to update where we wanted to go with it. Essentially, the basic idea was to engage civilian Congressional and mainstream efforts through various means. Ultimately, it was fed that back my proposal was too long and wordy for someone such as himself who was very busy, which was fine. Admittedly, I have a habit of not getting to the point as you might have gathered already, *just ask my wife.*

That initiative draft started with a hot cup of tea, which was imperative to drink before trying to think of a plan. It honestly surprised me just how much planning was involved with organising such efforts on a macro-scale. The naïve part of my brain assumed you can simply post a social media message about recruiting people to contact the government about *aliens* and everything would take care of itself. In reality, this doesn't work, because in reality there are unhinged people who will attack your idea for any multitude of reasons. On top of dealing with the very active, idiotic naysayers, you need a platform to house the campaign, you need a target audience to galvanise, and you need baseline data which is significant. You need intelligent people who know UFOs are real, who aren't crazed conspiracy lunatics, and also who don't hate the government. The cross section sample is small, trust me.

And then, after all that, you need a strategy. A viable one that people can believe in. Honestly, I was struggling in the moment for inspiration, and

it wasn't until I almost knocked over my water bottle onto my old Psychology textbooks did I notice what I was looking for. My eyes widened as a wry sardonic smile crept across my face. Then sitting forward and taking the final sip of my overly sugary tea I wondered, can it be done?

Using Psychology models

Implementation of strategy was essential to effectively enabling data to be transferred from point A to point B. Using effective psychological models such as Rogers's Social Diffusion model (1), we essentially extracted raw Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) information (military testimony, documents, cases, etc) and interjected the information directly into mainstream sources. Carefully, strategically and with intentional purpose we must ensure the right information reaches the right people, in the right way, and also at the right time. Taking tried and tested psychological models and implementing them to UAP activism was potentially the first step. Additionally, in doing so, UAP activism must be considered from the perspective of effectiveness, it must be considered in accordance with *current* social climate and culture. Galvanised people need to be inspired and to feel they are on the winning team as no one wants to be stereotyped and ridiculed. This would be very difficult as we were facing a highly stigmatised subject in which 'UFO activism' wasn't even remotely popular - in fact it was highly stigmatised itself.

In early 2020, the enthusiasm and idea for contacting Congressional representatives didn't exist. Even worse was that our target of Ufology was a carnivorous cult of self-centred narcissists whose remit was their own preservation and self-entitled interests. Our initial analysis and evaluation of previous 'UFO' campaigns found flaws and significant areas for improvement. Building upon what went before was essential to allowing the mainstream media and public sphere to absorb the basic concept of UAP. Our role was an almost impossible task. Reframing the entire history of UFOs and Ufology was as much about building a paradigm which allowed a process to galvanise people as it was about drawing attention to the anomalous phenomena and understanding it. The entire baseline was to engage Congress and the mainstream, but to do so we needed to think outside of the box and be able to do things differently from what had gone before. Unfortunately, despite their massive numbers, most of Ufology are not strategists. Ufology

failed to grasp that the ‘threat narrative’ was the biggest motivator to long-term congressional and civilian disclosure, in the same way the extra-terrestrial hypothesis was the biggest distraction from progression. Additionally, as much as certain big named Ufologists may not have liked what we proposed, the threat narrative was very significant and the biggest tool within the UAP activism field when engaging the mainstream.

People are motivated by flight or fight response which is a survival instinct originating through the nervous system. Can you imagine Climate Change activists trying to engage governments to act without drawing attention to the threat of the world heating up, or counter-terrorism efforts trying to brief government officials about domestic terrorism without stating there is any actual threat to human life? The human mind considers UAP a threat automatically because it is the unknown, the unidentifiable, and the uncertain principle of annihilation. If indeed this technology is beyond us, then who could say whether a more evolved species potentially might destroy us, should it want to at any point. To make people believe and take the threat seriously, we need to incorporate this into the conversation to motivate legislators and Congressional representatives. All governments work by funding a response to what they perceive to be a potential threat. And we needed the government to take UAP seriously, therefore, we must act by what will directly enable Congress. Here was our remit under the *'Outreach Program'*.

1) UAP are real.

2) UAP are a potential threat.

3) We don’t know what they are.

4) We don’t know their intent.

5) This reported technology is revolutionary.

6) Government accountability.

7) NASA need to become involved.

Galvanising a platform (#UFOTwitter) was an important step alongside

telling people they are not a victim to the secrecy. Given the vast numbers, the idea was to have people write Congress and force a change using the correct format, *our format.* The idea was there, but we needed to start somewhere and somehow reach people. We had no idea just how difficult this task would become.

SUNDAY

11th of May, 2020

'*Psychology*.'

Neuroscientists would tell us that the brain reshapes itself on experiences, moulds its very structure around an inbuilt survival model that focuses attention to the most important organs. When damage occurs the brain utilises automatic processes that recover what it can and abandons that which is lost and unable to be recovered. This is the fundamental consideration to how we understand as *'neuroplasticity'* in stroke rehabilitation (2). It is a tried and tested approach that allows the body and mind to heal itself when damaged through brain injury. Basically, when a neuro pathway is destroyed the human mind cleverly re-routes the signals through another part of the brain, much in the same way a policeman redirects traffic after a road accident. The human mind does this so astutely that the conscious part of us has no idea of the healing process until we see flickers of movement returning to our hemiplegic arm or leg. The body and brain work as part of a holistic system that allows consciousness to flourish, they work in unison and for the greater cause of the individual.

In many respects we can consider Western society in the same way - with a mind to a body. The systemic organism works for the benefit of the collective mind and the individual mind simultaneously. When a part of our human society breaks down it seeks to repair itself over time, depending on the extent of the damage. It occurs much in the same way disability recovers function following a bleed to the brain and is dependent on the extent of the assessed damage. Arguably, this is what Congressional hearings look to do in situations where the societal system is damaged. Hearings are the systems method of healing.

The Watergate hearings for example, consisted of 51 days of broadcasted hearings from May 17, 1973, to November 15, 1973 (3). The Iran-Contra hearings ran from the 5th of May 1987 to the 6th of August 1987

(4). In future years following 2020, the January 06th hearings would be held in Congress to understand how the riots and invasion of the Capitol Building had come to unfold (5). Ultimately, these are a drop in the ocean compared to what some have been doing to hide the reality of the anomalous phenomena. Nothing else compares when you consider that potential evidence of non-human lifeforms might have been withheld from scientific institutions and the world. The damage done to the world's society by keeping the secrecy of UFOs is the equivalent of a full haemorrhage to the brain resulting in hemiplegia. The damage done is so extensive and even beyond recovery.

However, people can heal just as society can heal from this self-inflicted injury. Yes, the biggest event in the history of humanity was hidden from us, illegally in some cases it would seem, but we can recover. The world must heal itself and be given the means and opportunity to repair what was lost. The UAP Initiative/Revolution is that healing process - we just need a competent doctor and a medical rehab team. We need Congress to do what it was established to do, to be the voice of the people and regain trust and to fix the system.

MONDAY

12th of May, 2020
'*Psychology of denial*.'

That Monday morning, the world was in full panic-meltdown about the COVID-19 virus. Finally, I had fallen to the hysteria and after shamefully fighting with an old lady for the last toilet roll at the local supermarket. My intention was to ensure we had enough tins of beans and pasta to see us through the next few days and not to scrap with a 70 year old feisty Nanna from Berwick Hills in Aldi. At that time, the shop-shelves were emptied, the people were panicked about a lack of supplies and the media stoked fear over every death. Having worked on a COVID-19 ward that summer I was able to see the scale and ranging implications of the virus, some people it hardly touched, others were seriously ill. I do remember sitting in my living room and thinking how strange it was that we as a species are directed very easily in one direction or another. I thought about the processes which enabled that focus + attention and how, for the most part, we are collectively unaware of these methods as they play out. And then I started to think about how such processes work in reverse, that some important issues aren't given focus and

attention due to the various negatively associated connotations.

Of course, I'm speaking about the anomalous phenomena - the biggest issue in history that we all collectively never speak about or dare even acknowledge. We aren't allowed to talk openly about it through a series of unspoken psychological control systems we all share and understand. It reminds me of an example I was taught once at Teesside University during my psychology degree: *'At the wake of a funeral the person who speaks ill of the dead is socially isolated corrected behaviours are enforced'.*

The negative attribution in this case is the anxiety producing reaction of speaking poorly of the recently deceased, the collective reaction of the group is to correct the behaviour of the person through social isolation. This is exactly how 'UFOs' have been subconsciously managed within society these past 70+ years. The anxiety producing behaviour of people speaking openly and seriously (about the anomalous phenomena) is a collective problem which need correction through various subconscious techniques. Consequently, we have collectively, and somewhat unwittingly, developed stigma as a control measure to prevent the ideology of the anomalous phenomena from becoming popularised and most importantly, accepted. Why we as a species might have done this, I am not sure. Perhaps it is a deeply rooted fear of alien invasion and of death which stems from the collectively shared fear of the great unknown. Throughout history, we as a species have conquered and invaded our neighbours in the act of war, always justifying the actions of mass murder. Are we fearful that a cosmic sense of karma is about to befall us for our historical sins? Or maybe it is as simple as avoiding the momentary anxiety of an uncomfortable new reality. Or could it really be that some in the deep dark depths of government have taken steps throughout the years to protect their hidden secrets about crashed technology.... has a group of people ensured this issue was polluted so badly with nonsense and conspiracy that the world turned away? Whatever the reason, we continue to bury our heads in the sand.

MONDAY

11th of May, 2020

'Strategy.'

The first full year of COVID-19 was also the year of the UAP battleground - which was pushed down the list of important topics within the

mainstream media. For us in the UAP initiative it didn't matter, our fight for government UAP accountability would have to push through the hysteria of COVID-19. We weren't discouraged as for the first time in a 70-year history of 'UFOs' did an activism campaign have some real teeth behind us. We knew that to win the 'disclosure war' we would need Congress to create and enforce legislation, thus forcing the Department of Defense (DoD) to take accountability for UAP transparency. However, to get Congress to a point of acting on UAP, we needed to change the social climate around a very toxic and stigmatising issue regarding UFOs. Therefore, a massive part of our remit was to cut back anything and everything that might be stigmatising to the conversation. Additionally, we knew that reframing the entire conversation was extremely important with regard to the mainstream media. After all, it is the mainstream media who are the gatekeepers, and it is their reporting on UFOs which decides the public perception on any given topic.

So with this in mind, the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign targeted specific people in the mainstream media. Behind the scenes I made calls, left voice messages and personally emailed journalist after journalist from the end of 2019 to the beginning of 2022 with links to Navy Pilots testimony, Senator testimony and UAP military videos confirmed by DoD. On the front line we used twitter to link and hashtag media personalities of influence, forcing people to look at the UAP initiative whether they wanted to or not. We even contacted Russell Brand in the process. We were relentless, we were insistent, and we didn't stop, not for a moment, not even when the threats came into our direct messages telling us to stop what we were doing, *or else*. We used models to disperse the information across social media in gifs, memes, cards, posters and anything else that was trendy we could use. We were a force to be reckoned with, how could we stop? We had a tiger by the tail and wouldn't let go.

'James Grey' – a person whose identification I never found out, commented and applauded the reframing element of our psychological strategy. We wrote letter templates to allow people to reach out to congress. The entire analysis was about 'reframing' the conversation – changing the narrative to one which is a serious issue.

'The above letter (Taras Matla) nails it perfectly. No giggle words or phrases, and the seriousness of the tone & subject removes any room for laughter or derision from it. This is a successful reframing of the issue into what it actually is in reality & moves things along.'

- James Grey (2020)

We had started using ‘UAP terminology’ in order to reframe the conversation. For example, we cut out loaded words like ‘Deep-State’, ‘UFOs’, ‘Aliens’, ‘Extra-terrestrials’, and anything conspiracy-wise that might trigger the laughter response and stigma. Instead, we used words like ‘threat’, ‘unknown’, and ‘national security’ to ensure Congressional representation took notice. Ultimately, it was a clever strategy which I wish I could take credit for. But the truth is that we were coached, and to this day we still don’t know by who exactly, their social media accounts remained anonymous. But something told me they were serious about UAP transparency and most importantly, their strategy was clean-cut and pinpoint. Always one step ahead of us.

FRIDAY

15th of May, 2020

‘*Outreach.*’

As stated earlier, strategic implementation was incredibly important to the civilian UAP initiative. We had to enable and protect the delicate signal that allowed the conversation to happen and allowed the world’s media to accept that something anomalous was potentially here and operating within the UAP issue. The vast majority of our UAP campaign work heavily relied upon momentum, engagement and an awful lot of prompts from a UFO community that cling to conspiracy and hatred of the government like debunkers cling to weather balloons and Seagulls. This made things difficult, particularly when your potential activism community is bogged down in a dogmatic ideology. Our main weapon of engagement was the media’s perception of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP), Luis Elizondo and the UAP five observables. We knew we had to have the mainstream accept this 3-point narrative:

1). AATIP was a real UAP program. 2). Elizondo ran AATIP. 3). The technology represented something anomalous.

These were our three operating signals to protect. The top messages to protect within the mainstream sphere. As I’ve previously stated, we created #UFOTwitter to house the UAP initiative, but here is the real reason – it was created to develop and sustain the 3-signal narrative. Originally, it was To The Stars Academy (TTSA) who were pushing the narrative and we

supported that. Then, over time, we expanded beyond them at support to focus efforts. Why was any of this important?

It was important as the mainstream would need a stable point of reference when trying to cover any emerging UAP story regarding the phenomena. We needed to ensure that the right message was being absorbed by any interested journalist when writing for the Times, Post or any other influential outlet. Most importantly, we needed them to tell the world that the anomalous phenomena were real and needed further investigation. This was the signal that needed pushing and was amplified through Elizondo and Mellon (rather than the usual snake oil Ufologist with a brand to sell). UAP was a new language, spoke by credible people to the mainstream and Congress who could easily understand and act upon it. Without the UAP initiative, its strategy, format and decisive methodology and base within the original #UFOTwitter platform, the media would have only had the lunatics of Ufology to fall back on and their stories about the Queen being a lizard alien (and so on). Without the acceptance and mainstream understanding that Elizondo was legitimate, then the whole thing falls apart – no mainstream coverage - no stigma reduction – no conversation and most importantly – no congressional representatives willing to speak openly about the phenomena. Then consider that Elizondo (the acknowledged former AATIP director) gave out hundreds of podcast interviews and mainstream media interviews from 2017-2022, all of which are readily available for the mainstream media to dig through. When the world will talk about the people of the UAP Revolution, Luis Elizondo is without doubt the one person who did more than any other person - at least openly he is. For all we know, others may have done more behind the scenes (Chris Mellon for example).

But I guess that is why it was a team effort.

The Ufology War

The proxy war between the *UAP-Obfuscators* and *UAP-Progressionists* was one which raged with hate and anger. The war for the soul of the mainstream perception of UAP was played out across social media and in particular, the accounts of anonymous Twitter users. Career Ufologists, debunkers and activists were pitted together in a heated battle, each with an agenda to either get the mainstream to believe the anomalous phenomena exists and those who don’t. A mix of a thousand angry voices fuelled by personal ideology

and belonging, never surrendering to the other sides position, not for a minute. Career Ufologists believed that UFOs were simply extra-terrestrial and pushed hard to defend their ideology. They didn't care what the mainstream thought or want Ufology to change. Also, they didn't want their UFOs to be taken from them, seeing the UAP initiative as a potential threat to their money-making scheme. They had everything they could wish for – books – magazines – TV programs – Websites – FOIAs – conferences – radios – podcasts, all at their fingertips. So why would they want '*disclosure'*, why would they want to risk it all? And for what? Some have argued that the reason TTSA were given such a difficult time by Ufology was that they threatened real change.

Then there was the sceptics, who weren't *really* sceptics, they were pseudo-debunkers who were trying to explain away UAP as drones, planes, weather balloons and Seagulls. These people were just as problematic as the Ufologists - who were attempting to sow their own narrative. Ironically, some known Ufologists and Sceptics would actually join together on occasion to denounce the UAP initiative as above all the differences the had one unified variable in common: neither Ufology or Sceptics wanted UFOs to be taken seriously in the mainstream or by governments.

And then there were the UAP-Obfuscators. These are people in the Department of Defense and Congress who knew the reality of UAP but wouldn't allow the issue to be progressed or taken seriously as a real-world issue. Often these people had very religious Christian beliefs amount the anomalous being the devil and not wanting this to be broken open. Others believed that their Christian ideologies would be destroyed with the known presence of other life forms existing. And then some have argued that the main discrediting voices were those, who it was said, '*hold the keys to the hanger doors'* which contain crashed materials of 'Flying Discs' and other objects/devices. These were the people who had operated in Special Access Programs and hidden away UAP data from the American Congress – some argue illegally.

Each of these three, Ufologists, Skeptics and UAP-Obfuscators, fought back against the UAP initiative and in particular: Luis Elizondo + AATIP. It was quite simple for them, in order to stop the UAP initiative they had to take out Elizondo's credibility and muddy the waters around AATIP. These three groups worked in unison to promote an anti-UAP message that they hoped would kill off any further escalation of UAP in the mainstream

media. Then as an extension of the UAP initiative, we in the EndUAPSecrecy activism campaign suffered incredible pushback as we felt the full force of their efforts. Attacks came against us personally and against the activism campaign itself. We saw the constant attacks came from all three groups as we tried to get UAP information to the right people in the mainstream. Being honest, there were times when I almost walked away. There are some horrible, nasty people on twitter in particular who hide their true racist, fascist personalities. One such person in particular was engaging a cult and would later be exposed in 2022 for disinformation efforts against the UAP initiative.

Trying to engage good people to send the signal through all the static noise was difficult, because if you listen to the static for too long it effects you negatively. But 'onward' was always the word in my mind no matter how bad things got. I suppose our role was to galvanise people, to inspire them to engage the secrecy of the anomalous phenomena and focus activism efforts. Career Ufologists tells people to be submissive and passive, to only listen to a Guru and to be ready with your chequebook in case they need financing. In direct contrast, the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign tells people that they are not a victim to the secrecy, that they have the power to unite and to act. Additionally, UAP activism demanded an end to the secrecy through doing things differently. We demanded the United States take serious accountability for the anomalous phenomena. Never did we imagine that it was about to happen.

SATURDAY

16th of May, 2020

'*Using psychological models.'*

There were many sensitive conversations that week about how we could implement various frameworks and models to different approaches within our campaigns. Admittedly, having an academic background and various degrees in Psychology did benefit my own perspective. Also, having knowledge and some minor experience of working in research has also aided my presentation, but I am far from an expert. But most of all, it was a working knowledge of the history of Ufology and previous activism attempts that was most beneficial to implementing various civilian campaigns.

Consequently, to further understand the underpinning of this detrimental issue, we had to thoroughly consider all potential barriers to open UAP transparency and how information is disseminated throughout Western society. First and foremost, we considered specific barriers to UAP data in context of the Diffusion of Innovation Models (1). Although it should be noted that a vast array of predicative models to behaviour should be applied, we intervened upon one which we believed would be most effective.

Research in recent years for example, has found the advantages for implementing Diffusion of Innovation characteristics to other psychological models, specifically, such compatibility predicted intent along with the Theory of Planned Behaviour variables (6). The famed Psychologist Carl Rogers argued that '*diffusion*' is the process by which an 'innovation' is communicated over time among the participants in a complex social system. Essentially, there are five main elements of significant influence that spread a new idea: 'innovation', 'adopters', 'communication channels', 'time', and a 'social system'. If we take the new idea to be 'UAP' then we can assess how and why information does or doesn't spread easily through a social platform within society using variables from predictive models and frameworks. The work of Rogers suggests that the process relies on social capital and that innovation must be widely adopted to become self-sustained.

Putting it simply, for a new idea to grow, flourish and be accepted (like aliens are real and here on Earth), there needs to be a social baseline which can sustain and hold the boundaries of such an emerging idea, thus allowing the "conversation" of UAP to occur.

The joke topic of 'UFOs' needed to be reframed from stigma and stereotyping, thus allowing Navy Pilots, military personnel, Congressmen and Senators to come forward openly without perceived barriers (them believing talking about UFOs will hurt their careers). We found that killing the stigma was vital to this process. Consequently, with regards to UAP promotion campaigns, this meant that an online social media network of relationships among people who engage within in a specific subculture of society would need to adapt to this process. Hence, that society (aka, #UFOTwitter) would therefore be required to function effectively when transferring UAP information.

Researchers Moore and McKenna (7) theorised that there will come a point in which such innovation reaches '*critical mass'*, this tipping point between niche appeal and mass (self-sustained) adoption is simply known as

'the chasm'. This means that if we push hard enough in the right direction with the right approach, we will eventually achieve the disclosure we need. If we apply this idea to the anomalous phenomena and activism, we can consider that the idea of UAP becoming globally widespread as a significant real-world. This is the critical mass point by which disclosure becomes a mathematical certainty through enough people knowing and believing UAP are real.

What do we mean by all of this? We mean that for the UAP process to work and take hold there needed to be a platform which linked together credible information and credible people. This is why #UFOTwitter was important. It was incredibly successful for what we needed it to do to - to network a rational conversation about the anomalous phenomena.

Future research would do well to implement models and frameworks when applying critical evaluations into *why* specific people of influence (with regards to UAP) do not come forward with information. Although the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) reported the effects of stigma have lessened in recent years, there are still "*senior members of the scientific, policy, military, and intelligence communities engage on the topic seriously in public, reputational risk may keep many observers silent, complicating scientific pursuit of the topic*" (8). Additionally, any future research might also consider in-depth Qualitative studies alongside the Diffusion of Innovation Model (9) or the adopted Theory of Planned Behaviour (10) to both understand UAP barriers to transparent behaviours and how to apply social networks which allow critical mass to occur. In summary, if we wish further UAP transparency we need to understand the attitudes of those with sensitive information and change the psycho-social paradigm. We need to kill the stigma and allow the world to have an open conversation.

Again, easier said than done.

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Conclusions

The UAP Congressional campaign had to be thought through thoroughly. We had limited choice but ensure that the process was safeguarded against angry Ufologists, pseudo-debunkers and those efforts of obfuscation. By the middle of May we had countless people contacting their representatives, the letters were flooding into Congress with some very successful replies. The

people were telling their government that they were ready to take this issue rationally, seriously and without the crazy conspiracies. People behind the scenes needed to know that this issue can be brought forward without the overwhelming bullshit, and we needed to show them it was possible.

Never did I ever envision that during this process there would be such pushback for such a simple target. We wanted the government to take accountability for UAP technology which was being witnessed by military personnel – but that would often get twisted by debunkers and believers for their own personal ideology. Some are angry at the government and will never forgive them for the various things the CIA have done over the last 70 years while others hate that UFOs have been kept a secret. Some career Ufologists like their big-fish-little-pond approach and don't wish to see their golden goose taken from them. Then there are career debunkers who will not allow UFOs to become mainstream – regardless of what the content might be. Possibly the most insane claim we have had to deal with is the claim that *'Congress have been tricked into believing in UFOs.'* Sadly, there are a lot of emotionally unstable people in the world and the topic of UFOs seemingly is home to most of them. Hence the UAP Congressional campaign was very difficult to navigate through the storm.

But somehow, we sailed through.

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Chapter Fourteen: The New York Times and ‘Off World Vehicles’

If we are to truly understand the anomalous phenomena, we need to apply appropriate scepticism and analytical assessment to a very complex issue. We also need to be open minded to possibilities which may seem implausible to us at the subjective level. This means understanding that Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) might not be mutually exclusive with regards to origin. It may in fact turn out that we are dealing with multiple phenomena, multiple technologies, and even multiple non-human intelligences. Or the anomalous phenomena might be one thing pretending to be many things - as Jacques Vallee and John Keel have famously stated. A concept famously echoed by scientist and Nobel prize nominee Dr. Garry Nolan, alongside an inspirational quote that I once discussed with him in 2018, *'For them...reality is negotiable'*. Throughout this series we have argued that more data is needed which can be verified through multiple sensory instruments before making pre-determined conclusions of origin. However, we can still consider an idea without subscribing to it, we can still try and theorise on the complexity of the phenomena, and we can ask questions which may not present us with an immediate answer. One of the main considerations we can ask ourselves, is that of anomalous (non-human) intelligence. Are UAP, which the military are encountering, intelligent like we humans understand intelligence? And more interestingly, does the anomalous phenomena have specific intentions towards us or what we consider *our* planet? These are very complex and difficult questions to ask and to answer. Additionally, the only way forward is to request Congress establish laws around allowing the UAP issue to be forced open. If we for a minute consider the extreme possibility that Roswell was real, and that crashed discs have been recovered then that changes everything for us instantly. Proof that we are not alone, and that a technology far superior to our own exists. More troubling than anything else is that it seems these God given truths were hidden from us and they were lied about for over seventy years. A very difficult history to unravel.

And we haven’t even touched upon recovered crashed technology, *and*

bodies.

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FRIDAY

22nd of May, 2020

'Belly Up.'

The Ufology history of crashed 'Flying Discs' is tied to the 'Core Story' – that non-humans are here in their various Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and that at some point in the 1940s and 1950s some of these technologies crashed into the dry deserts of the United States (and other countries). The other aspect of the Core Story is that black Special Access Programs (SAPs) operated without Congressional oversight and used defense contractor funding to hide away exotic anomalous materials so they wouldn't be found be the American government. Craft and alien bodies were reportedly recovered. All the Hollywood movies were based on the stories from Ufology and this Core Story. How much truth there is to any of these claims is debatable and certainly are without solid proof. Certain whistle-blowers have seemed more credible than others in that regard, and I will always say that I believe that Bob Lazar is telling the truth. Or at least for me – as someone who accesses neurological conditions daily - Bob Lazar believes Bob Lazar is telling the truth. Lazar was one of the first names who I read about back in 2013 and while there are questions over his education, there are also some very interesting parts to his claims as well. From the description that gravity was a wave, to element 115, and even the detailed description of how anomalous technology warps gravity-space-time was arguably way ahead of his time in 1989. Least we forget that Dr. Eric Davis and Dr. Hal Puthoff (Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program, AATIP, contractors) who hadn't openly released their own research into warp-drive propulsion and zero-point energy by that point. And then we must consider the statements made by Lazar in 1989 that the 'Flying Disc' has various modes of propulsion – 'Omicron' and 'Delta' configuration. While the hypothesised Omicron configuration of the craft allows for anti-gravity, the Delta configuration focuses its amplifiers onto a distant target which then is used for instantaneous acceleration. Obviously, there is no way to confirm

any of that Lazar claimed and whilst to his credit he has maintained his version of events for the last 25 years we still must be careful with unverifiable information. The one very interesting part of this whole saga is that Lazar's story matches up with the flight pattern of the 'Flying Disc/Spinning Top' GIMBAL rotation video. In the last few seconds of GIMBAL the craft decelerates and rotates on its axis before the footage cuts off and the video ends. Lazar very famously said that the 'Flying Discs' fly belly up, which is what happens after the GIMBAL video ends – so we are told be Navy Pilots.

Why is any of this relevant?

It is relevant because *if* Bob Lazar is telling the truth, then the United States Government has had a crash retrieval program which operated through 'S-4' a subsection of Area 51 from at least the 1980s and probably going back to the crashes of Roswell in 1947, and possibly to the Trinity case of 1945. *If* Lazar is telling the truth, then the Ufology Core Story is real and has been kept secret from the American public. The question to be asked is how, if true, does one begin to unravel this complicated and potentially explosive history?

Maybe we don't?

SATURDAY

23rd of May, 2020

'Core Story.'

How do advanced anomalous craft *crash* into the desert? To us humans that concept seems ridiculous. For a potential species that could be thousands, if not million of years more advanced than us humans, it seems highly implausible that they would have such basic (and very human like) faults. And yet we are supposed to believe that these things just plummeted to Earth in frequency during the height of a 'UFO wave' which occured from the mid-1940s onwards?

Seriously, something didn't add up. We can consider alternative options in such unusual scenarios. For example intention and gamesmanship. This was a major chapter theme in my last book 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena' in which I considered if 'others' have consciousness in the way we would understand it. The truth is that we, as humans, consider everything in reality from a human perspective as we ourselves are drenched in

psychology. Often, we fail to recognise the true meaning behind our own actions and intentions, we struggle to recognise objective truth because we overlay and imprint our own subjective truth. This becomes even more true as an issue when the issue itself holds significant consequences to us.

Arguably, the anomalous phenomena are a prime example of that. When we examine the research and look at the history of 'UFOs', it becomes very clear that something quite extraordinary was in our skies and our oceans the whole time. Hundreds of thousands of reports have been made for 70 + years of discs, orbs, cylinders, cubes, triangles, pyramids and everything in between – all displaying incredible technological abilities. And yet despite this, we as a species were unable or unwilling to psychologically accept this objective reality which glared at us directly in the face. Even with alleged reports of crashed discs and other devices during the nuclear age did we hide the un-welcomed. If these reports are to be taken seriously (and I personally have been told that there is something to it), then we need to fully explore not only our own psychology, but that of the anomalous also. Again, let us speculate without subscribing to various ideas.

Let us start with intention and the implications on why craft might crash.

Intention is very much a characteristic of psychology (some argue consciousness) within a reactionary life from. A dog can intend to bite you, a cat can intend to scratch you, a fish can intend to evade you, but a plant cannot intend to do you harm (that we know of), it cannot do anything other than to be a plant in most cases. Some plants can react I suppose – the Venus Fly Trap reacts to the stimulus of its prey. However, I digress, an intelligent form of intention requires something more complex and thought-through to some degree. It also requires foresight of the future and any anticipated consequences. Intention can be complex and can exist on various levels within various species. Some argue it is dependent on the evolution of consciousness, but at a baseline we can simply attribute intention to others through our collective agreed upon observations. But what can we agree upon about the anomalous phenomena? Can we truly assign intention to *them/it* through our own (unwittingly) biased observations?

The problem is our observations are influenced by the very measurement of measuring - *being human*. We as humans, are flawed in our logic in one very critical way, we attribute any definitive conclusion by what we personally experience, and then we take that experience as objective truth.

When we assess UAP, we subconsciously influence our own decision process, we look for a desired outcome rather than a true objective one. Some Ufologists have argued that the anomalous have an interest in nuclear weapons because they are sending us a message - some argue they want to protect us, others that they want to warn us and then some argue they are going to destroy us. Another alternative hypothesis is that these UAP that buzz nuclear facilities and shut them down, turn them on aren't doing this with any intention at all. Some argue that maybe this is a consequence of the technology or that the technology is absorbing the radiation as a power source - feeding on the radiation. How much intention does a moth have to a flame? The truth is we simply don't know what their intentions are because we simply cannot comprehend them.

The other point we can consider, is that we simply do not know if there are multiple species/types of UAP that engage nuclear facilities. We don't know if these military reported UAP today are the exact same ones reported in the 1940/50s with Project Bluebook or something else. For all we know there are multiple variations of UAP which all act and behave exactly the same way. Or maybe all of the anomalous phenomena are from the same source, the same intelligence and the same consciousness origin. Arguably, the concept of intention is directly related origin.

Extra-Terrestrial – From another planet
Ultra-Terrestrial - From Earth
Inter-Dimensional – From another dimension
Multi-Verse – From another universe (3D)
Time-Travellers – From our future (this timeline or another universe timeline)
Quantum Consciousness (holographic universe)

These are the categories that apply to non-human origins. There indeed might be, and probably is, many others but these are the current theoretical conceits held by most UAP analysts. Currently, we should refrain from concluding on one over another due to a distinct lack of government transparency and UAP data.

With this complexity of origin in mind, it makes it incredibly difficult to comment on the perceived intention of another non-human intelligence here in the form of UAP. This lack of data combined with our own personal

intentions and desires only seeks to convolute objective reality with subjective reality. We don't know that they are from our future and want to stop nuclear annihilation, we don't know that they are little grey android 'bugs' from Zeta-Reticuli and have warned us against blowing up the planet. We have stories that can't be truly verified in the eyes of the mainstream and nothing more. Additionally, applying anthropocentric intention to the anomalous phenomena is dangerously speculative.

Credible, researchers Keel, Harpur and even Jacque Vallee's *'control system hypothesis'* all discuss the possibilities of how dimensional beings are influencing human history for some unknown nefarious reason. Potentially, they are crashing on purpose to allow humans access to their technology in some madcap survival of the species game. This may indeed be a plausible explanation; however, we need to ensure we consider such theories without conclusively subscribing to them. We simply cannot infer the mindset of an *alien* consciousness which we still do not have a complete dataset for. At the other end of the spectrum, debunkers such as Mick West apply to explain away all UAP as drones, balloons, stars, and misidentified planes. This may seem a plausible approach to some untrained eyes, but to most professional researchers this is a form of ethical/researcher bias that looks to work backwards from a pre-emptive conclusion rather than conclude that we cannot conclude due to a lack of verifiable, reliable data.

Again, we should be able to consider terrestrial explanations for potential anomalous encounters without subscribing to them. Currently, without such data, it would be a mistake to infer the psychology and intention of the anomalous phenomena or that they even might have intensions like we understand. We always here '*why don't they land on the Whitehouse lawn'* or '*why would they come all this way and not say hello'* and this is then used as a debate marker (by some quite) as to why they aren't real, which from a scientific perspective is simply quite ridiculous. We cannot imprint our own psychology onto something potentially anomalous and then attribute their existence based upon that premise.

I wrote in 2018 about an 'Interjection theory' which proposed an extreme hypothetical theory that the anomalous might be a direct implementation of the collective human subconscious mind, that they might not even be something with consciousness – beyond that which we humans unwittingly assign to them. Everything, from their geometric shapes to their well-defined illusive behaviours, to their just out of reach technology is part

of our *human* universe. So, to pretend we can conclusively say they are conscious beings should me met with scientific scepticism (not debunking). We simply don't know.

Ultimately, we are at a point in history where we need to meaningfully move forward in our collective understanding of UAP. If anything did crash to Earth in the New Mexico desert and those objects are being hidden in private defence contractor companies such as Lockheed Martin etc, then we need to have that data and material. Only through open scientific examination of such exotic items can we truly get a sense for their unique makeup and with the aid of classified radar data can we understand their origin. As for who they are, or even if *they* are a *who*, well that is a conversation we need have with ourselves once global acceptance of the anomalous phenomena occurs.

WEDNESDAY

27th of May, 2020
'Programs.'

The spring and summer of 2020 was divulged in talk of crash retrievals, which came as some small relief from the continuous Covid-19 issue which plagued us all. That Wednesday the conversation changed to the Pentagon's UFO program and came through a man who would play an important tole in the UAP initiative. Former AATIP physicist contractor Dr. Eric Davis was asked in an interview about his time investigating UAP for the AATIP at the Department of Defense. At this point we should remember that various Pentagon spokespeople had claimed since 2017 that AATIP was shut down in 2012. Dr. Davis stated that AATIP was a UAP program and *never shut down*, that it is still in operation at the time in 2020 under a new name and that he personally is still doing contract work for this program under OUSD(I). In later years we would come to understand that AATIP was continued by Lue Elizondo's deputy, Jay Stratton (1), prior to it becoming the UAP Task Force (UAPTF).

In May we also saw researcher Roger Glassel focus his attention to the words of Pentagon spokesperson Gough and the terminology of Anomalous Aerial Vehicles and its significance (or lack of significance) for the Navy (2). Keep in mind the Nimitz (2004) report, produced initially under the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP)

contact BAASS, was released by George Knapp in 2018 and uses the anomalous terminology (3). In the response to researcher Roger Glassel, Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough stated categorically that the Department of Defense and Navy both use the term UAP (unidentified *aerial* phenomena) as a generic term in which objects are *not* immediately identified. Gough amplifies Gradisher's (Navy Spokesperson) earlier statements from 2019 and also uses the example that a drone-quadcopter would be referred to as an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) or even an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS). Same coordinated strategy.

For those historians of UFO history such as Graeme Rendall, this is all too familiar tactics which have been seen back in the late 1960s as an attempt to avoid drawing focus to 'Flying Discs' and genuine anomalous technology. Evident when Gough confirmed to Glassel that the U.S. Navy does not use the term "*Anomalous Aerial Vehicles"*. Other analysts have since argued that areas of the Pentagon didn't want the AAWSAP-BAASS Nimitz report officially recognised, and subsequently the official documentation of such a technology being tied to the Department of Defense (DoD). Also, it is important to note that The New York Times article which would be published in the July of 2020 referred to anonymous 'DoD sources' who have gone covertly on the record to state that 'anomalous' essentially means genuinely unidentifiable.

WEDNESDAY

17th of June, 2020

'*The man with the Keys*.'

When Florida Senator Marco Rubio stepped into the world of UAP, we knew that Congress had been briefed with something very special. Congressional representatives wouldn't risk their careers for something so stigmatised, it doesn't happen like that. Can you imagine, for example, British Prime Minster Boris Johnson and the Labour/Lib Dem leaders coming out and confirming that the Earth was flat and we need to investigate? *No*, absolutely not, it simply doesn't happen (mainly in that example because the Earth isn't flat, but you get my point).

Unlike Johnson, Marco Rubio is an incredibly important politician within the American Senate and sits in the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI). Rubio has been briefed on UAP in those years. And we

mean he was briefed on anomalous technology, not unmanned aerial vehicles or drones or balloons or whatever neatly rolled distractions the Pentagon was filtering out. He and his colleagues were shown the clear footage which is classified to the rest of us. It was enough for him to become engaged, and he in my opinion is a hero for doing so.

One of the most powerful activism videos we created and used, and still use to this day in #EndUAPSecrecy, is Senator Marco Rubio's interview on camera in the June of 2020. This is the first time in history a sitting Senator on an oversight committee for intelligence has actively acknowledged there is something to the issue of UFOs. That a technology we don't understand is flying over our military's sensitive nuclear instillations and that we need to address this national security issue. This issue is a massive potential threat and Senator Rubio knew it because he had been involved in multiple UAP briefings since at least 2020. In later documents released in 2022, Rubio would be described as a UAP advocate, and would spearhead the entire Congressional push. A true hero.

TUESDAY

23rd of June, 2020
'Briefing.'

Redacted documents obtained in 2022 via FOIA (10) from the Navy would show that a classified UAP briefing would be held with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and representatives from the Office for the Undersecretary for Defense Intelligence (OUSDI) and the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI). Mr. Scott Bray for the Navy was in attendance alongside the Director of Defense Intelligence (Garry Reid) with the head of the 'UAP Task Force' (possibly Jay Stratton) which hadn't officially been disclosed at that point. For Congress the following people were in attendance:

Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) UAP Advocate,

Senator Angus King (D-ME) UAP Advocate,

Senator Richard Burr (R-NC),

Senator James Risch (R-ID) UAP Cynic,

Senator Martin Heinrich (D-NM),

Senator Michael Bennet (D-CO),

Senator Ben Sasse (R-NE),

Senator John Cornyn (R-TN),

Senator Susan Collins (R-ME),

Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR)

Interestingly, the documents show who was in attendance and who was a UAP advocate and who was a UAP cynic. These people are heroes, well, apart from the cynic.

FRIDAY

24th of July, 2020
'Off World vehicles.'

By the end of July, Rockstar Tom Delonge had taken to Instagram to announce that Christopher Mellon had managed to get language inserted into the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Authorisation Act for Fiscal Year 2021. This was true, it was Mellon who was working closely with Congress to get the UAP issue imbedded into legislation, mainly to establish an official program within DoD to investigate the anomalous phenomena. Disclosures of a task force would come later in the year.

Also by the end of July, I would have a medical work colleague tell me she believed there was something to the phenomena and that was based off an article in the mainstream media. It helped that she was an intelligent girl so the back and forth was rational. In the brief conversation, she quoted a article in The New York Times, a piece which stepped over the line and into very unfamiliar territory (4).

"There is actually something to this", she would conclude as I smiled without revealing too much. Couldn't exactly blurt out that I was involved and leading a civilian activism effort to engage Congress, had accidentally released the resignation letter of a Pentagon UFO program director, was

speaking with intelligence agents, scientists, or was sitting on personal pilot details around the most famous UAP case in history - the USS Nimitz encounter. Instead I nodded and subtly agreed. Even within a few weeks standing in the kitchen of my Irish friend's house the question of UFOs came up. My friend Neil asked me directly, knowing that I knew, but he was met with the same resistance. When the eyes fell upon me, I backed down and simply said "*errm…maybe something to it, but don't know much more than that."* Like so many others, I lied in the moment and felt bad for doing so. My thinking was that we weren't ready because society in the United Kingdom wasn't ready and when the time was right the conversation would happen. At least that's what I told myself in my drunken state, maybe the truth was that I wasn't ready. The news articles were certainly helping break down the stigma however.

Crashed UFOs

Could you ever have imagined that a mainstream media outlet would dare to take on the crashed 'UFO' story? I certainly couldn't. As activists working this story we agreed, for the most part, that the crashed flying discs of the 1940s/50s were a step too far. The 'core story', of non-human intelligence and technology was one thing, but governments having knowledge and materials was something quite different entirely. As far as the UAP disclosure process went, the 'crashed UAP recovery' was *years* down the line - if ever. We as a conscious, collective society weren't ready for that quite yet. Or was it myself who wasn't ready?

After all, we still hadn't gotten the world's full acknowledgement that UAP represented something potentially radical and even 'non-human', and then on top of everything we were living through the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. Personally, I thought the timing was off. Regardless, The New York Times ran a story that Friday which featured some crash material relevance. The Times had however, chosen to sidestep the infamous 'Wilson Documents' debacle which again, was far to engulfed in Ufology – particularly when the denials started to come out. Journalists, Keen and Blumenthal – the two who had released the AATIP story via the Times in 2017, were again the two people investigating. In the article they quoted Senator Rubio, who expressed concerns that China or Russia had made '*some technological leap*' that '*allows them to conduct this sort of activity'*, (4).

Another quote, this time from the late Senator Harry Reid stated that: *'After looking into this, I came to the conclusion that there were reports, that there were actual materials that the government and the private sector had in their possession'*. The most intriguing part of the entire article came from an openly quoted source, a man who is known within the UAP research community as Dr. Eric Davis, who is a physicist and had worked as a contractor to both AATIP and AAWSAP. The Times quoted him as saying he gave a classified briefing to a Defence agency about...

'*…off-world vehicles not made on this earth.*'

It was also reported by Blumenthal and Kean (4) that Dr. Davis gave classified briefings on crash retrievals to staff of the Armed Senate Services Committee on October 21st, 2019, and then to the Senate Intelligence Committee on the 23rd of October, 2019. Personally, Dr. Eric Davis is not someone I've spoken with personally, but I know others, such as researcher Joe Murgia, who speak with him, and they vouched for his credentials and his integrity. Whilst we cannot dismiss his claims, we cannot verify them also. At the time in 2020, there was a big effort that was based upon what is known as the 'Wilson-Documents', something that researcher Richard Dolan would describe as the *"leak of the century"*. Admittedly, at the time I dismissed them. Not because I felt they weren't real, but because they were heavily steeped in 'Ufology' and therefore simply couldn't be used in activism efforts because no journalist would touch them. Something a British journalist verified to me personally at the time.

But what was the real story?

The Admiral and the Wilson Documents

With the help, guidance, and research of Giuliano Marinkovic, we've managed to crudely piece together a story 25 years in the making (5) (6) (7). The story goes that in the April of 1997, Rear Admiral (one-star) Thomas Ray Wilson was at that time the Vice Director of Intelligence for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He would go on to become a three-star Vice Admiral and director of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA). Just to make clear, Admiral Wilson was a highly placed individual within the United States Government and undoubtedly in a well-placed position of oversight authority.

So as the story goes, in the April of 1997, Wilson met with respected Apollo 14 astronaut Edgar Mitchell (6th man to walk on the Moon) at the Pentagon along with Commander Willard Miller (ret.), Ufologist Dr. Steven Greer, Stephen Lovekin and Shari Adamiak. Essentially, Admiral Wilson had just met a group of 'UFO enthusiasts' who he would say held no interest for him and he only met them because of former Astronaut Dr. Mitchell's reputation. Mitchell and Greer would openly confirm that Wilson was briefed by them (8) upon learning of code names for a secret black UFO program. Basically, there was an alleged crash UFO retrieval program operating without oversight. Researcher Giuliano Marinkovic would in later years confirm to myself the story: Researcher Giuliano Marinkovic would in later years confirm to myself the story:

"In that meeting Miller, Mitchell and others presented their case for reality of UFOs and UFO SAP programs. After the meeting, according to notes it took Wilson few months to locate and identify UFO cells...so the search and identification happened after that meeting...Wilson publicly denies that subsequent search.

RDML Wilson was briefed by them about possible hidden UFO programs. It was claimed that Wilson subsequently located such a program, and was told key things about its nature, but the contractor and higher Pentagon authorities supposedly denied him full access that he believed his position warranted. These allegations are part of the complex story with several denials, twists and enormous implications.

On July 28, 2008, I (Giuliano Marinkovic) was able to locate contact data of Thomas Wilson. I immediately suggested to Grant Cameron that we should forward it to Billy Cox for a potential article on the Pentagon 1997 briefing. The outcome was August 06 2008 article by Billy Cox: "Admiral Never Looked for UFO Data" - where Wilson has denied allegations about the hidden UFO program and legislative dispute. After Edgar Mitchel died in 2016, some documents were found amongst his belongings and released to the internet. A thirteen-page document which is now known as the 'Wilson Documents' that primarily involved Dr. Eric Davis and Admiral Thomas Wilson.

They (Wilson Documents) were written by Dr. Eric Davis in the October of 2002 following a two-hour meeting he had personally had with Admiral Wilson. during which they discussed - UFOs, MJ-12, Roswell,

crashed UFO/alien bodies, etc. - They also include a copy of a two-page letter from Commander Willard Miller to Dr Eric Davis dated April 25th, 2002 in which UFOs, UFO crash retrievals, and Area 51 are mentioned".

- Giuliano Marinkovic speaking to myself (2022).

This account is from Giuliano Marinkovic, one of the primary researchers of the Wilson Documents. At the time in the summer of 2020, I was sceptical about the entire issue and considered it too '*Ufological'* to ever use in formal activism efforts – which I still believe was the right call at the time, however now it has become very relevant to activism. In later years, and as more data would come to light, the Wilson Documents would again resurface. When I would finally reach out to researchers such as Marinkovic, the answer was always that Dr. Greer, Dr. Mitchell and Dr. Davis were telling the truth about the Pentagon meeting and the unofficial carpark meeting respectively (between Wilson-Davis). The problem with the latter claim is that it meant Admiral Wilson was lying. Straight up lying. This here is a difficult issue to navigate by any means. Marinkovic continued in his replies to me:

"*Wilson arrived there, and they gave him basic meeting...when Wilson said he wants to be fully read into the program, they told him his tickets are not enough. He tried to overtake that position, but they didn't want to give in, he complained later and Wilson was told to drop the issue, otherwise it will affect his promotion.... Wilson was in rage to say the least (according to notes), that is a basic breakdown, basic meeting = basic briefing.*

Why are the Admiral Wilson documents important? They are explosive because they provide proof and vindication for what had previously been rumour and hearsay. For example, at the bottom of page one of the documents we see confirmation that, with regard to "MJ-12/UFO cabal – crashed UFO" that "*there is such an organization in existence*".

- Giuliano Marinkovic speaking to myself (2022).

When I asked UFO researcher Marinkovic and other researchers just why he (Admiral's Wilson) – a honourable man - would lie, the reply was "*self-preservation*". Admiral Wilson is said to have disclosed very black, classified core secret information to a civilian which could see him in a lot of legal trouble. Marinkovic continued to highlight the history of how Wilson reacted to the claims.

"Wilson was even in the beginning vague about the April meeting but when (Richard) Dolan called him over the phone in 2006 and started to say that Mitchell has confirmed and that it is in Greer's book, Wilson then said: "My memory is foggy...Ok, I now recall that meeting but all claims about what happened afterwards are bunk. …. subsequent SAP search and threats is all according to notes...Mitchell and Greer are also claiming this outcome (Wilson also apparently called Miller but Miller also denies the conversation)...

Wilson has never publicly confirmed that subsequent SAP (Special Access Program) search and threats and he aggressively denies it for the last 16 years...otherwise the story would be atomic if confirmed."

- Giuliano Marinkovic speaking to myself (2022).

This arguably was an interesting story, and had a good potential to be true, but that is what we have – a story. Without Admiral Wilson's acceptance of the full story that he met with Greer and Mitchell in 1997 and was then denied access to a classified UFO program, or his acceptance that he met with Dr. Eric Davis in 2002, it means nothing. The narrative soon enters a dead-end street and goes nowhere. Dr. Davis had been cagey about the entire incident but also wasn't exactly denying it either. The fact that he was in The New York Times and quoted as briefing Congress on crashed retrieval of other worldly vehicles suggest that there is something to this. But what? More to the point who else was on record to verify such extreme claims? What was said to Congress by Davis *et al*?

This case remains open.

Crashed Discs and Anomalous Intentions

When we consider the long history of crashed UAP, we must understand some of these claims go back to the well documented Roswell case of 1947 and the Trinity case of 1945. However, the glaring question is how can such advanced anomalous vehicles crash into the desert? This was a big part of the puzzle which had no answers, but many questions. But at least those questions were starting to show signs of being asked in the mainstream (9).

The intentions and behaviours of the anomalous phenomena are the pinnacle of psychological research into UAP. Trying to understand the true nature of these strange objects is almost as significant as trying to understand

what *they* want with us (if they are even a '*they*'). We have spoke about this issue at length in the first volume in this 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena' series, and ultimately concluded that we don't have enough verifiable data to conclude. In summary, we simply do not have a full jigsaw set as we try to piece together separate parts when generally nothing fits together. If we relate the question back to *'off world vehicles'* we need to ask the question of how/why crashes of UAP happen. To cast a wide theoretical net of comprehension, we must go back to the question of anomalous intention. Something which requires more than we are able to go into in this book.

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Conclusions

Crash retrievals regarding *'off-world vehicles'* are the cornerstone of Ufology lore. They are arguably the most interesting and most significant of all the associated issues of UFOs. If true, the potential stretches past the existence of an anomalous intelligence, and delves into reverse engineered technologies which might have been interjected into the defense apparatus contractors. And then, there is the much more problematic issue – that the elements of the United States Government have kept evidence secret that strongly points to the existence of the anomalous phenomena. The knowledge that humanity is not alone is by far the biggest issue in human history and the implications of a cover-up are incredibly profound. Consequently, the issue of UAP crash retrievals would hypothetically come too soon in 'the process' of disclosure (at least in the year 2020). Yes, that part of the core story needs to happen, should it be real, but it needs to come after the world has accepted it is not alone and that we are not threatened (directly) by UAP. We must, however, consider this as hypothetical. And whilst we certainly cannot prove that Roswell was anything other than a weather balloon, there are many people behind the scenes now pointing to what happened in the desert that summer in 1947. And there have been other historical cases. Do future disclosure efforts involve evidence of crashed discs?

Possibly…*yes.*

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Chapter Fifteen: The Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF)

Despite the rumours of Congressional interest in Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) and even rumblings of crashed materials, we had nothing concrete to take to the media. It had been almost three years after the December 2017 disclosures, and we found ourselves no further forward with Pentagon acknowledgments regarding the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) or the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP). The two infamous UAP programs were distinct in their focused remit and up until the 'walkback summer' of 2019 were a massive part of getting the mainstream to accept the anomalous phenomena was real. Sadly, we were faced with the very real possibility that it had all been for nothing, that the Pentagon had taken apart the UAP initiative, much as they historically did with anything related to Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). However, the one thing that kept us going in the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign was the effort to request that Congress take responsibility for the issue of UAP. Across the last quarter of 2019 and into 2020, we had created a push from within #UFOTwitter to have our American counterparts write, email and call their representatives. The legislation to establish an Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) was already in place following the Congressional overriding of Donald Trump's National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) veto in January 2020. The result led to the formal establishment and acknowledgment of a new (acknowledged) task force by the summer of 2020. This was a big step forward for us and ultimately undermined any efforts to discredited AATIP/AAWSAP due to the very existence of a task force to investigate UAP. Regardless, we still needed the government acknowledgments of AATIP and more importantly, Elizondo. Primarily as it was Lue who was giving the background information to what was happening behind the scenes to the media. Elizondo was the unofficial education spokesperson for the UAP initiative, and we needed to ensure his credibility as this allowed the mainstream to go to him for a conspiracy-free credible narrative. In the end, the process was working without official verification, primarily because it

was Congress who were the people that needed to be involved. They were onboard thanks to Christopher Mellon and Elizondo, requesting official investigation and demanding answers. With Congress pushing hard for the creation of a task force we knew this was the first step on a long journey towards disclosure. On the 4th of August 2020, the then Deputy Secretary of Defense Mr. David Norquist gave the long-awaited approval for UAPTF which would be disclosed on Friday the 14th of August (1).

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SATURDAY

15th of August, 2020

'Human.'

There was a strange ambience about the renovated old Acklam Hall as I entered the restaurant that early Saturday morning. I was greeted with a muted silence as the four customers glared aimlessly toward the large floor to ceiling Victorian window panels. The late summer weather outside was gorgeously warm and in the midst of an early morning downpour as the rain swirled and looped with the gentle breeze. It is warmer than usual, but nothing to unremarkable for this time of year in Northern England, and certainly not a morning to dampen one's spirits. Not this morning. For this was a Saturday that was different to any other. The night before rang true the biggest news revelation in the last fifty-one years of human history, not that you might be able to tell. Not since Neil Armstrong stepped onto the moon in 1969 has the world known such a profound occasion. And yet, there is no acknowledgement as I look around me, no-one knows its potential significance for the future or the domino effect facing humanity.

Currently, it is a small seed buried deep in the ground that has such amazing potential to flourish and harness a grand towering oak that protects and gives life. And, if you look just below the surface, you will find that tiny seed holds the beginnings of genuine intrigue and excitement, of infinite potential that revolutionises the very fabric of reality itself, from scientific discovery to political reform and religious amendments. Nothing will be untouched by society's acceptance of the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena. Maybe I fail with my words, in that I can't give this moment the

significance it deserves. Arguably, it can't be said any better than the ancient words of Heraclitus (535BC – 475BC)...

'*...you could not step twice into the same rivers; for other waters are ever flowing on to you.'*

What those who have kept this secret for the best part of a century failed to realise, is that *everything* changes, regardless of how deeply you bury something. Eventually the truth will come to the surface and will breathe once again. And that is exactly what happened with UAP - a technology so radical and extreme that the chances of it being human made were incredibly slim. Now, almost five years after Luis Elizondo stepped onto the stage to declare that "*the phenomenon is indeed real*", we are at a turning point. In came the official announcement we had waited for all this time. This was a monumental landmark in the journey and something we had all fought for. Yes, it was only a start, but ultimately it was for the benefit of mankind, so we were willing to be patient and wait. Certainly, it was with a sense of vindication for me as I sat to drink my coffee in the beautiful old Acklam Hall situated within the deep green garden suburbs of South Middlesbrough. For this was where I sat when the confirmation of the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force came through the Facebook page of Keith Mayoh (a man whose vision for '*UAPinfo'* and '*The Unidentified*' would eventually lead to a sequence of events that would kickstart modern day civilian UAP activism).

The involvement of those associated behind the scenes will probably always remain hidden whilst the truth of UAP upwardly flourishes. I could not tell you their names even if I was privy to know who did what, possibly I wouldn't get permission to release their names even if I was made aware of them. That is what makes these people heroes to me, the fact they fought to change the world and will never be credited. Those involved who sacrificed everything to end the biggest secret the world has never known are heroes, now and forever, unnamed, unsung and eternally unappreciated across their digital graves. All we can do is honour their truth, their sacrifice, their struggle. We civilian activists had very little impact on the narrative, and our efforts weren't anything to phone home about, not really, and certainly not in the same league as Mellon and Elizondo et al. This book, in many ways is the truth of the people who changed the world and would help to end UAP

secrecy – and the creation of the UAPTF was a massive part of that process.

Credit goes to those brave souls in Congress working from the brightly lit halls of Washington D.C., to the Pentagon's Sensitive Compartmented Information Centres (SCIFs) and even secretly across the social media battlefield of #UFOTwitter. They were trying to force the mainstream to credibly engage the phenomenon as a serious issue to national security. The disclosure by a world's government of the existence of these UFOs/UAPs and 'hypersonic dead stop' technology is a revolutionary leap forward in both our understanding of physics and aerospace propulsion. It also possibly leads to the hypothesis we may not be alone in this universe. But such disclosures (of an anomalous technology that defies our conventional understanding of physics) are not exactly easy to openly discuss and such secrecy is deeply hidden within social stigma, ineptitude of policy, a fear of gross negligence and a consequential impotence to act. Additionally, such disclosures are not trivial. Take for example the concept that UFOs represent 'Non-Humans', now consider that these technological reported craft of 'Tic-Tacs', 'Flying Discs', 'Spheres', 'Triangles' and 'Cubes' have been reported throughout the 20th century as far back at World War Two. If this is genuinely true, what does that mean for the scientific community? Those who consistently played down the reports of the United States Project Bluebook (1952-1969) as weather phenomenon, swamp gas, planets, balloons, birds and other abstract explanations that simply made no sense. Does it mean that our scientific models couldn't incorporate the anomalous and thus rejected them instead of changing their own parameters? Does it mean that our science is fallible to psychological interjection at the subconscious level? How do we recognise this issue is a an age of anxiety?

I write this as a way to remember how it all started. A time in my life in which my two children had come into the world and a time in which the world itself was at a crossroads. A time when the President of the United States had withdrawn America from the Climate Change agreement, issuing it a 'hoax'. The world was suffering the economic consequences of both radical terrorism and the endless war on terror. Segregation and division was equalled by an uprising of hatred for ethnic minorities, and racism was taught within the highest offices. And then amongst all of this, we had a global Coronavirus pandemic which further escalated tensions, killed millions and speeded up a global recession to the stratosphere.

This was a unique time in history which needed us to press the *reset* button in various ways. What we were doing as a species and as a planet was unsustainable and to a certain degree *unimaginable.* We needed a revolution in technology, understanding, humility and unity with our fellow man. Seemingly, we didn't have an answer to the question of the flawed human condition. When the UAP issue first hovered above the surface in late 2017, we saw a possible way out. Addressing an unsolvable problem with crude answers, but done for us the people in a way which restored hope for humanity. This is the story of about the *'Days of Disclosure'* in which a united effort took on the biggest secret in history. A time in my own life I will never forget.

SUNDAY

16th of August, 2020
'Same old.'

It would become known that week that various efforts had been made to reach out to the Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough with information. We are told she was made aware of the work AATIP did on UAP and the role of Luis Elizondo. For whatever reason, Gough simply would not change her statement on Elizondo or AATIP. More than happy to be 'chatty' with certain researchers about all manner of aviation/aerospace claims but never explained the reasons as to how/why she arrived at the conclusions she did. We were expected just to trust her word for it. Some of us questioned the motives, others blindly spread the statements as gospel. McMillan however, knew the full picture as displayed in his tweet (2).

'In June of 2020 I notified the DoD I was aware of 12 separate, individual and officially available Government sources of evidence that could verify @LueElizondo's claims of managing AATIP.'

- Tim McMillan, Twitter (2020)

As time progressed, we would uncover over the years that there was a very distinct reason as to why those twelve separate officials were ignored when it came to verifying AATIP's true nature and Elizondo's claim of managing the program. What was happening behind closed doors was quite astonishing. Some UAP analysts had even claimed that this was the real psychological

operation - to kill the UAP effort. They argued that a group within the Department of Defense (DoD) had gone after Elizondo and his team who were actively trying to get the issue of UAP into Congress. They would do everything and anything to stop the UAP initiative, and that would eventually include the removal of Jay Stratton from heading up the task force prior to the Congressional report. As we have stated throughout, this was a targeted campaign against the truth.

The thoughts of researcher and historian Graeme Rendall

Graeme is one of the more profound modern day historians on UFO history and someone I have reached out to on multiple occasions. As a fellow UAPMediaUK colleague, I asked for his opinion on the situation regarding the rising UAP situation. Here is what he said:

'Although Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough's attempts to downplay the potentially anomalous nature of UAP following the creation of the UAP Task Force in 2020 seemed ludicrous in the face of witness testimony from US Navy crew members and second-hand reporting of other events, it wasn't as if that was the first time official investigation programs had been undermined.

Back in 1948, Project Sign, the first official USAF UFO investigation program, came up with its own intelligence summary ("Estimate of the Situation") which included the possibility of extra-terrestrial origins for the flying discs that were being observed in numbers back then. This seemed to be a theory based on a lack of evidence - of the discs being man-made in nature – and without actual proof to back up the supposition, the Estimate was "batted back down" by the senior hierarchy within the USAF. No-one was going to sign off on something that suggested aliens were to blame, at least without evidence of a dead one or a crashed vessel. Sign couldn't provide either, so their extra-terrestrial hypothesis wasn't going to fly.

Clearly, having investigation programs suggesting aliens were behind sightings didn't sit well with those trying to keep a lid on things. Sign's successor, Project Grudge, essentially began with a remit to prove there was a rational explanation for the discs. In the process, it haemorrhaged staff, gave up on consulting experts about cases and in the end became surplus to requirements, its functions being transferred to other departments at the end

of 1949. As an object lesson in how to degrade a potentially useful program, it was first-class. An announcement told the public that the USAF had got out of the UFO investigation game – probably for good. There just wasn't anything in it, they told all who would listen. However, this wasn't exactly true. Grudge was never cancelled. It lived on – at least on life-support, a few clerks filing away what information was sent to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base concerning UFO sightings. But actual investigation work did not take place.

When Blue Book was created in early 1952 to take over UFO investigations, there appeared to be a sense of optimism and that there was definitely a mystery to be solved. Attempts were made to rationalise and streamline sightings reports to allow timely analysis. Yet in the background, moves were afoot to undermine these attempts to fulfil the program's remit – to solve the UFO issue without bias or pre-ordained culprits. Dismayed by the lack of progress, a scientific panel was created in January 1953 which looked at what had been found out so far. The Robertson Panel suggested that most sightings had rational explanations and those that didn't, simply suffered from a lack of information.

Obtaining those details would surely allow investigators to discover the "truth", that rather mundane explanations were to blame. They also suggested that the public be "educated" so they wouldn't make mistakes in identifying ordinary every-day items as UFOs. Blue Book seemed to take this to heart. Very few cases had actual, definite causes – most, if explained at all, were "possible" this, "probable" that. Many of these explanations didn't make sense when the actual sighting report was looked at in detail – and still don't. Add these cases to the persistent raft of truly "unidentified" cases which Blue Book couldn't hang a potentially rational cause on, and a significant number of events were involved.

Yet this didn't seem to bother those charged with running Blue Book. It developed into something of a public relations exercise, or a desire to be "seen to be doing something". It was a program that ostensibly welcomed UFO sighting reports from the public but ended up writing them off as "probable meteors", "Venus" and the best one of all, "swamp gas". Professional airline crews and military pilots had the same treatment in the

early days of Blue Book, and increasing stigma created an equally growing reluctance to report encounters. That stigma aided and abetted those charged with downplaying the whole issue.

By 1969, it was clear that the USAF were fed up with running Blue Book. There was no sign that any other causes were to blame – at least officially. With the stroke of a pen, the air force were out of the UFO investigation game – at long last. One hopes the same mistakes aren't going to be made once again when the current UAP investigation program gets into its stride'.

- Graeme Rendall, UAPMediaUK, author of 'UFOs before Roswell' and 'Dawn of the Flying Saucers'.

TUESDAY

16th of August, 2020
'*Transparency and Truth.'*

In those warm mid-summer days, we were right in the thick of the battle for transparency. Whilst we were losing the battle for AATIP and AAWSAP, we were gaining ground with the Congress implemented legislation that resulted in a task force. Despite the gains, we had to be careful about hoping to have something which was not there. We all wanted the Pentagon to be coming clean at last, even after the walk-backs of 2019, there was always hope that they were disclosing UFOs. They were not. In actual fact, we could make the argument that those UAP-Obfuscators who had placed themselves into the UAP fray were doing so through necessity and self-preservation, not through a loyalty to the American people or for the truth. While we must understand these people have a job to protect national security, we almost must counter the argument with if they have overreached. My own personal opinion is that what happened in a discrediting campaign against Elizondo and AATIP was illegal. They were working to forge a narrative that UAP were anything from advanced terrestrial vehicles to drones, balloons, birds and other ridiculous claims. As reported by Andrew Daniels in Popular Mechanics that Tuesday (3), the quote received by Susan Gough stated that the DoD takes incursions into military airspace seriously. Of specific note is the quote regarding UAP which highlights '*...when the observer cannot immediately identify what he or she is observing'* (3).

The word here is '*immediately'* which is very clever use of psychology, it suggests to the reader that the immediate (lack of initial data) situation surrounding the objects observed are unidentified and therefore not *unidentifiable*. Remember that if real, the anomalous phenomena are unidentifiable in nature and cannot be identified with more data. Despite the official acknowledgement of a Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) task force to investigate unidentified incursions into 'Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon' (UAP) we can still take this control over the *AATIP narrative*, rather than open UAP transparency with regards to this anomalous technology. In theory, this is possibly why we continue to see the Pentagon hard line on both AATIP and Elizondo following both the BAASS revelations by Tim McMillan and after the new UAPTF was formed. On the 24th of August, John Greenewald released a Pentagon statement from the very vocal Gough. Additionally, Luis Elizondo also has his response to the way the AATIP information has been handled (4).

'Regarding Elizondo and the AATIP program, the department's position has not changed. Elizondo had no assigned responsibilities for AATIP while he was in OUSD(I).'

- Susan Gough, Pentagon Spokesperson via The Blackvault (2020)

Following the confirmation that the UAPTF was being established, the Pentagon wanted to ensure their position still stood. With the more recent statement from Gough, it was becoming apparently obvious that this was not a simple case of misunderstanding or misinformation. This was becoming an intentional discrediting campaign from 'the department' of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) and those behind the scenes at the Pentagon. Elizondo responded to Blackvault by saying the statements "*are clearly a vindictive effort by some in the Pentagon to inflict retribution on myself and others for speaking the truth to the American people"*.

Consider that the Pentagon had changed their position eight times in three years while contradicting their previous positions on AATIP and Elizondo. Elizondo confirmed what we already knew, that a numerous senior former and current government officials had stated for the record his role in AATIP (4). Since the summer of 2019, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (the AATIP Program creator), Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for

Intelligence Christopher Mellon, the Secretary of Defense's own Press Secretary Dana White, Dr. Hal Puthoff, Dr. Eric Davis, AATIP deputy Jay Stratton and other members of the UAPTF had all confirmed to the Pentagon Elizondo's role at AATIP. It was highly unlikely that all these people were lying.

WEDNESDAY

17th of August, 2020
'*Building up awareness.'*

The creation of a task force to investigate the anomalous phenomena was not to the liking of the UAP-Obfuscation efforts. While it was a major step forward for us activists, the picture that was being painted was simply of drones which had not been identified yet. The pushback against the UAP initiative was still occurring and therefore we needed to still be working to ensure government took accountability for 'Flying Discs' and 'Tic-Tacs' that moved without discernible means of propulsion. We needed to ensure the conversation was about an anomalous technology, not human made aircraft. Easier said than done when the vast majority of public opinion wasn't focused on this important issue.

Multiple issues had arisen over the past three years, most notably stemming from the fact that in late 2017, an estimated 99% of the global population did not accept the reality of the phenomenon, nor did they care or had thought about about the implications. Despite various surveys that show a high percentage of those polled believe that '*Aliens are real or maybe have visited Earth*', this doesn't mean that a high number of people are interested in actively having the topic legitimatised. All it means is that people are asked a hypothetical question on a street about something they do not have any real exposure to. These surveys certainly do not mean that they are willing to engage in UAP activism.

An effective way of thinking about the social engagement towards the UAP phenomenon, is to consider the entire global societal mind as similar to school classroom filled with children. In this hypothetical scenario, we can consider a child has passed a note around to three of his friends at the back of class. Those four children know what is written on the note, but the other twenty children and the teacher have no idea. Some of the other children

close by, might have some minor awareness of the note being passed around, but they do not know what was written on it, and have no interest in the note as maybe they don't want to get in trouble. Then as the mysterious note is further passed around the class, more and more children know the reality of what is written upon it, and more attention is brought to it. Eventually, the teacher's awareness of the note will take ownership and bring the classes focus to it. Whether the teacher reads the note aloud to the full class is another issue. In this crude example, the class of children represents society, the teacher is the government, and the message written on the note says, '*non-human technology exists in the form of UAP.*'

UAP activism is about the dissemination and diffusion of information. Whereas other activism such as 'Save the Whales', 'Extinction Rebellion' or 'Animal Rights', might suffer from personal apathy to the exposed content, the UFO exposure essentially doesn't follow the same pathway in that regard. When somebody genuinely realises and comprehends the reality that a 'non-human' technology is engaging the human race - it simply cannot he shrugged off to apathy. People may dismiss 'Animal Rights' because it does not appeal to them, no matter how much information is provided. Some people believe Climate Change is a conspiracy whilst others simply are not bothered about things they can't control. Most people are apathetic to the plight of a Whale in Japanese waters, etc.

In theory, if a critical amount of people are exposed to credible UAPinfo, we, as a society, will push past that uncrossable line in which true acceptance occurs on a global level. But the issue is getting us to that line, what exactly will it take? How much testimony or video is needed? Would one clear video of a flying disc be enough? To get a good measure of how the general public reacts, we need to look at the social media comments and likes under articles on the phenomenon. We need to assess and evaluate the social climate.

My very rough statistical analysis of subculture numbers within Ufology, based primarily of social media views counts, likes, retweets, followers and subscriptions, suggested that in the December of 2017 there was globally one million people who actively aware that the UFO phenomenon was real. However, this can never fully be quantified as there are people interested in UFOs who are not on any social media, and additionally, most individuals cross over from one subculture to another. Even if we take a basic one million people that are actively (and openly)

interested in UFOs, that still left 7.599 billion of the global population who are not interested in UFOs or have no idea the phenomenon represents something real. Quite unbelievable when you really think about the entire situation, particularly if you also wish to control the flow of information appropriately.

How do you begin to tell all those people?

MONDAY

24th of August, 2020
'Deleting evidence.'

When we consider other forms of activism (Climate change, Animal rights, etc), I am reasonably sure they don't have to deal with evidence being destroyed to discredit their efforts. In the August of 2020, an article would document how Elizondo's emails had been deleted, thus dissolving all thew work he had done at AATIP (5). This point would be brought up a future Inspector General complaint made by Elizondo and his legal team. Also, the question could be asked of the Pentagon, how can the Public Affairs Officer (Susan Gough) say Elizondo had no responsibilities at AATIP when she had no alleged information to work with (having been deleted). Surely, the reply would have been '*no records found*'. UAP analysts have stated that there is an obfuscation effort to stop the UFO conversation, and I would agree with them.

Somebody was very clearly lying.

SUNDAY

13th of September, 2020
'*Tenbury Wells case.'*

That late Sunday evening, the time was just after eight when my wife received a call from her Nanna. Thus began a series of reported UAP events which would reach the local media in Tenbury Wells. This case involved my own family and the man who ran the Department of Defense's UFO program. Since 2017, I have been investigating strange and unusual sightings and it is not a secret that I'm known for my interest in UFOs across social media. I am not a professional researcher, but it is fair to say I know how to

approach a case report from a holistic perspective. I am not a ‘believer’ nor a 'debunker'. Having a history in academic research, I am confident in my ability to apply appropriate methodology when writing a UAP investigation report. My own approach utilises a certain processed checklist that is essential with specific analysis and this allows for the data to speak for itself and not be influenced by researcher bias. We present the facts as objective data, rather than speculation, and we present all possible hypothetical explanations in a way which does not set out to debunk the case or influence people down a rabbit hole, but rather, we address the case holistically.

This is the same process used for the ‘Tenbury Wells’ case of September 2020 (6). A unique case that still remains unexplained, a case that made the local papers, had field investigations and even had an intelligence official offer advice on the hypothetical explanations. Needless to say, this all happened in late summer 2020, a time when speaking openly about ‘UFOs’ wasn't easy, and the world was preoccupied with Covid. So, I kept most of what I knew about UFOs to myself, but now, as we are moving into a world in which UAP/UFOs are accepted as real, I can start talking about the phenomena in detail.

The end of summer case

When my wife’s Nanna called that late evening on a Sunday, I did not expect her to be expressing concern about something strange in the Shropshire skies. I also did not expect to be speaking openly with her about sightings of strangely shaped lights - lights and formations I knew only to well on paper - but my experience of gathering direct information from an actual witness was, for lack of a better term, limited. After all, I wasn’t a professional, I’m not a ‘Ufologist’, in fact I hadn’t mutter a single word to another person about my interest in UAP, at least not like this, and certainly not to a family member. My background was essentially writing up cold cases, that’s how I got started on this, that was my interest, providing and assessing data that is credible and without hype. With regard to the Tenbury Wells (2020) sightings, the varying objects appeared over a sequence of nights in the week beginning the 13th of September, they appeared at varying heights within low altitude over the county of Shropshire in the evening. Described by my wife’s Nanna on the first night as a ‘circle of lights’ on a clock, with the brightest lights being at '3, 6, 9 and the 12 position'. The lights remained in the same

position for a hours before the main witness (Nanna), went to bed. In total they were observed for around 2-3 hours. The lights would then return for an additional four nights, totalling five nights of sightings. However, the lights would change in shape on the last two nights from a circular clock position to oblong shapes and then back to two circular clock light formations on the final night, but they still remained in the same area of sky and at the same altitude and would remain in a fixed position. For hours, without moving.

Naturally, I tried to run through the possible scenarios of what the objects might be, however without good enough camera to capture a clear photo of lights at an altitude of a few thousand feet up it is always going to be difficult. What I did know, is that my wife's Nanna is a straight arrow, if there was ever a person whose word you would believe at face value it would be hers, and that is an important part of credibility within UAP case reports. A neighbour had also reported the lights. This rules out any form of hoax.

After the third night (15th of September), I began to suspect that whatever was being seen, *potentially,* could be something anomalous in nature. My experience of UAP reports tell me that UAP follow a pattern, and they, (whatever they are), have a tendency to come in waves and to come back to the same location time and time within that specific wave. Additionally, they have a tendency to come back to the same area of the sky and hold position for hours without moving. It was at this point I decided to reach out to the UAP research community for advice. Online, I had spoken to one gentleman. He was assuring and seemed to know the advanced elements about UAP I ways which most people don't. I had spoke a few times with this person that week, he was clearly intelligent in his understanding of UAP and reminded me of someone, but I was not quite sure, I couldn't but my finger on it. Whereas most people within the community were knowledgeable about case reports and trait behaviour, this one person seemed different. When I reached out to him for guidance about my Nanna's sighting, he was more than happy to help. He suggested not to assume anything about the sightings and to explore all options equally. He advised to look at high altitude balloons or even surveillance drones, which I did gratefully.

"*Formations of lights is very common as it relates to the phenomenon... unfortunately, it's also synonymous of man-made aircraft including surveillance balloons. The key will be if a "body" between the lights can be detected. If so, that could be significant. Sometimes, the negative*

space between lights can give the illusions there is a solid surface in between the lights. This is important to distinguish... With that said...without video or photo analysis, it could very well be something different. That was the interesting part of AATIP, sometimes what seemed mundane, wasn't. ;).”

- Luis Elizondo, former director of AATIP, speaking to myself (2020).

At the time I wasn’t exactly sure what to think. I did speak to a renowned British UAP field researcher (Paul Jones) who lived in the area, and he himself had saw the sighting in the Shropshire newspaper and found it credible. He looked at possible bases in the area, spotlights from nearby facilities and anything which might explain what was being witnessed. Unable to instantly discount the properties of the case he tried to document the lights - consider balloons move over hours and cannot maintained a perfect circle, they also aren’t oblong shaped. On the last night of sightings he attempted to see the lights for himself but was unfortunately unable to locate them or capture them on camera. After that night, the lights disappeared after five straight nights and nothing more was reported. That was the end of the case.

All I could do was ensure my wife and Nanna that the lights were nothing to worry about, which is true, there is not threat in most UAP cases. They lights remain unidentified to this day, and if you ask me personally, I will say they are not easily explainable and hypocritically should be considered ‘anomalous’. What the Tenbury Wells case highlights is just why we need professional research involved with UAP that deploy scientific instruments for eliminating unusual sightings such as Nanna’s. Simply put, we need to be able to identify aerial objects.

A few months later, it would turn out that the random person I was speaking with about our Nanna’s UFO sightings, was actually Luis Elizondo, the former director AATIP - the Pentagon’s UAP program that ran from 2007-2012 (and probably onwards). This spoke volumes to me if the man’s character, a high-level government official who investigated UAP for the U.S. government took the time to help us understand my Nanna’s sighting in rural Shropshire. Obviously, I had to keep things on the down low until the time was right.

TUESDAY

22nd of September, 2020

'UAPTF briefing.'

That Tuesday, the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (that included Scott Bray DDNI of the Navy) gave a classified overview presentation to members of the Congressional House who had taken an interest in Unidentified Aerial Phenomena.

They included:

Rep. Kelly Armstrong (R-ND),
Rep. Guy Reschenthaler (R-PA),
Rep. Mike Garcia (R-CA),
Rep. Tom Tiffany (R-WI)

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Conclusions

The scientific process has been lacking from most of Ufology for the last 50 years. The peer reviewed methodological approaches that have developed within other accredited fields of study have been neglected from the issue of UFOs. The result is well meaning, but ultimately flawed amateur research. Although this does not mean that there are no good researchers or no relevant civilian data, far from it. The problem however is that we simply cannot verify the data of amateur research without sacrificing validity in the process. Ufology has not had the access to advanced detection devices, radar technology or astute instruments that can capture the genuine anomalous phenomena. Our best efforts for this data fall within the realms of the military and advanced defence technologies, which unfortunately, are classified for multiple reasons.

The UAP Task Force, which was revealed in late summer of 2020 was historic for various reasons. For the first time since the closure of Bluebook in 1969 was it acknowledged by the DoD that the United States Government was officially investigating Unidentified Flying Objects (that is if we discount AATIP + AAWSAP). Most importantly, the UAPTF was significant because it was a vessel that fully investigated UAP using advanced military detection data – the most advanced technologies we as humans can apply. Whereas a case such the Tenbury Wells incident (2020) lacks supportive data, a military incursion case has multiple sensors focusing in on the

object(s). In theory the UAPTF looks directly at the holistic incursion data and can compile datasets from such cases. And this is the difference, and one might argue the significance of the UAP initiative over previous UFO research efforts – the ability to focus on data which can be verified, analysed and categorised and then accepted as accurate.

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Chapter Sixteen: The Presidential election (2020)

Throughout this entire Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) process, I had the advantage of being British and therefore not being influenced by the political fallout of the American left or right and the deep routed hatred they expressed for each other. Divisions were high across #UFOTwitter in 2020, with political infighting and arguments making it difficult to gain traction for activism efforts. The call was to leave politics out of the community – easier said than done when facing the biggest bipartisan fallout in decades. I held no personal opinions toward the Trump administration, other than their withdrawal from the Paris agreement on Climate Change and the emergence of the Q-movement which popularised crazy conspiracies. Also, Trump's handling of the Black Lives Matter issues, and the handling of Covid was disastrous. For whatever reason, Trump teased about knowing interesting things about Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and Area 51 but never delivered anything openly. Besides that, I had no opinion or interest in Trump's presidency. Do not misunderstand my satirical remarks, it is not that I have an open problem with Republicans (or Democrats for that matter) it is just that I believed the Trump administration wasn't up to high expectations of the office it held. And as an activist, trying to gain attention and focus on the anomalous phenomena, it became almost impossible to navigate with the constant media circus trying to circumvent every word Donald Trump would say. Although this chapter is not specifically UAP focused, it does give an idea of the political climate at that time which impacted our own efforts, which wasn't helped by government apathy.

Seemingly, the disclosure President was not anywhere to be seen.

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SATURDAY
07th of November, 2020
'*Four Seasons.*'

Late Saturday afternoon and the BBC kept us up to date as the results came in. I followed the American election with interest this time, the issues of Climate Change and potential UAP transparency were more dependent on Joe Biden and Kamala Harris winning the Presidency – little did we know what a let down Biden would be on this issue (at least until time of writing in June, 2022). On that Saturday in November at around 5pm (GMT), the news came through that Biden had been called by AP, CNN and even Fox News. It was over. Biden was President. But not in the mind of President Trump who denounced the election result, claiming voter fraud and who filed multiple lawsuits with the 'Kraken' fast becoming more of a damp squib as the weeks past. When finally the election was officially called in favour of Biden, Trump's leaky lawyer, Rudy Giuliani (fresh from making an appearance on Borat 2) gave a press conference in the car park at the Four Seasons (total landscaping) in what would turn out to be the funniest thing to ever happen in the history of politics. And as for the President, he was playing golf at the time, still not accepting the outcome. Whether people agree or not, Trump felt he had been genuinely cheated, another four years in the White House taken from him. Others disagreed. BBC news showed spontaneous dancing and crowds singing Miley Cyrus 'Party in the USA' as they jumped for joy at the end of four years under the Trump administration.

It was also a missed opportunity for us activists. The chance that Trump would use the UAP issue politically seemed to have disappeared, either he did not see it as an election strategy, or he didn't have access to classified UAP information. Either way, the new President who was deemed to be a wild card had failed to openly acknowledge anything on Roswell or Area51 which would make the world take notice. Our hopes of an American President becoming the 'Disclosure President' were on hold, particularly as we did not know how much Biden knew about the issue, if anything.

WEDNESDAY

11th of November, 2020

'Later on.'

Apparently, in America, the President has to concede power to his political adversary once they are outvoted in an election. My poor understanding of politics aside, it seemed strange that a President could simply refuse to recognise another person was his replacement after a lawful

election. In the eyes of the Trump campaign, they claimed a mass conspiracy had occurred over the mail-in ballot votes, and that they had been tampered with. Obviously, this was complete bullshit and something from a ‘fake news’ Q-Anon playbook. There simply was no way such a mass fraud could be pulled off when strict voting criteria are monitored.

Four days later and Trump still had not conceded by that Wednesday. I was enjoying my week off work, taking the time to formulate more letters to Parliament. Undeterred by the loss of an opportunity, I took trips out on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to post letters with my daughter. We sent them to various Ministers of Parliament that included Tobias Ellwood (Chair of the House of Commons, Defence Select Committee) and Ben Wallace (U.K. Secretary of State for Defence). We also drafted emails and sent them from my UAPMediaUK account. We spoke with various journalists and media personalities about various upcoming UAP initiatives and questioned the timing. After all, of what significance might this UAP information have politically?

WEDNESDAY

02nd of December, 2020

‘Fast-Movers.’

In December 2020, the newly formed organisation *The Debrief* was given access to case data obtained via the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) and intelligence sources that were on classified servers (NSANET, SIPRNet) that held two reports on Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (1). These reports were deemed classified and also held on classified systems with NSANET allowing shared access to the FIVE EYES (FVEY). FVEY is an intelligence alliance comprising of the countries Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States. These united countries are linked by a multilateral UK/USA Agreement, a treaty for joint cooperation in signals intelligence. Essentially, for Great Britain that included the Government Communications Head Quarters (GCHQ). How much did they know on UAP?

At that point we were reliant on secondary sources coming through The Debrief team, however, if this was factual information it meant that there was a possibility that the intelligence from these UAP reports wasn’t being

relayed to the right people. We can make the argument that Parliament are not being given UAP information from the British intelligence community. Or the other option is that Parliament were being briefed and that they choose not to disclose this technology to the British public. Either way, there was and is a critical failure in the British system on anomalous phenomena. A stark contrast to our American cousins who have openly taken the issue into the halls of Congress.

The *'Fast-Movers'* article by Tim McMillan (1) actually crashed their bandwidth server that Wednesday afternoon with so many people trying to access the article. It is probably the second most important UAP article wrote in 2020 – the first coming in the February of 2020 and also by journalist Tim McMillan. What was interesting is the mention of intelligence briefings on UAP. Additionally, there was the first mention of a clear equilateral black triangle that came up from the ocean off the East Coast in March 2019. The photograph, which is said to have also been taken from inside the cockpit of a military fighter jet, in a similar way to the W-72 case, depicted an UAP described as a large equilateral black triangle with spherical white *"lights"* in each corner. Other unconfirmed reports suggested it was the size of a football field.

We had vague, unverifiable testimony from anonymous sources, but nothing upon which we could act.

This was standard for us.

TUESDAY

22nd of December

'Intel or interest.'

On a podcast in late December, the former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Director John Brennan was asked by Tyler Cowan (2) how he would interpret the information made public from the USS Nimitz and USS Roosevelt events to which he replied: "*You try to ensure that you have as much data as possible in terms of visuals and also different types of maybe technical collection of sensors that you have at the time....*"

He then went on to explain: "....*I think an important thing for analysts to do is not to go into this type of challenge either discounting certain types of possibilities or believing in advance that it is likely X, Y, or Z. You really*

have to approach it with an open mind but get as much data as possible and get as much expertise as possible brought to bear."

- John Brennan, Former CIA Director (2021).

Brennan was the director of the CIA from 2013-2017 during most of the Obama administration. His interview and confirmation that the videos represented something unique was another big moment for us. The statement went unnoticed in the mainstream, but it was there for anyone who had the sense to look.

WEDNESDAY

06th of January, 2021
'Civil War.'

This was a day I will never forget, a day which nobody expected despite the warning signs. I had just run a bath and was watching a livestream of a twitter video - an alarming video that was showing thousands marching on the Capitol Building in Washington. This wasn't some Russian army or Islamic State terrorist syndicate, this was an army of Trump supporters looking to disrupt the formal signing of power to President Elect, Joe Biden. They had come prepared.

On January 06th, 2021 the peaceful political protest rally turned violent, and the United States Capitol Building was stormed and taken. The political divide couldn't be further at that point, the hatred of the opposition was fuelled by conspiracy with subjective truth used as a weapon to be wielded against the establishment. When the truth is manipulated under the guise of 'Fake News' you usher in an age of anti-scientific dystopia which cannot be healed easily. Despite the inflammatory tweets of the President, the electoral vote was not stolen in those days, but democracy certainly was. It was concerning to watch and would leave us in the Western world perilously close to something far more dangerous than a dictator figure desperate to cling to power. It leaves us with a broken democratic system that has no future.

And as for the President?

Even after people had died at the Capitol, even after the mob built gallows and cried *'hang Mike Pence'*, the President would not tweet the supporters to go home, not until it was too late. The Trump administration

pretty much ended the very moment a group of '*stop the steal*' Q-Anon conspiracy theorists charged the Capitol building in D.C., leading to the deaths of people in the process. Some of these people went looking for Senators and Congressmen with zip-ties and weapons. This was the exact moment in American history when the world's biggest democratic political system imploded in upon itself, a chaotic reminder that the people wanted change. They had become desperate in what they saw to be a failing political system which disenfranchised them. Years and years of Deep State conspiracies and enraged paranoia (fuelled by imbedded Russian influence) had led social media to reach boiling point. The social media internet was allowing millions of Americans to network and justify their own extreme positions of retaliation against the system. In their desperation, they turned to Donald Trump, a man whose pledges and whose promise of answers gave hope. Many in the alt-right media adopted his ideology of system change, and those included *some* of the UFO-right wing groups. This was a strange time in America, and coincidentally, set amongst the first few years of the UAP Revolution – which was an initiative that was attempting to fix a broken system of accountability over UAP technology.

The American side of #UFOTwitter was politically split between Democrats and Republicans, those who voted for both Biden and Trump. I knew some of those who are Republican and that dismissed what happened with the Capitol attacks and the notion of a voter fraud conspiracy. They supported Trump and his political ideology, but not what transpired on January 06th. The climate was hostile on both sides with varying political allegiances and no side wanted to listen to the other. Terrible for trying to unite a movement to force the government to be transparent on UAP. From an activist's perspective, the Capitol riots showed a methodology of protest that we oppose. Yes, you can say the rioters were political activists trying to force a change in the system – but these were unlawful activists – trying to completely break the system beyond repair. They believed an election was being stolen, despite no tangible evidence being produced to support this at the macro level.

As UAP activists, what parallels can we take from the political activists - turned rioters - that killed a police officer, almost killed politicians and almost brought a civil war to the United States? What lessons can we learn?

My first reaction would be to ensure that the political system is

maintained, respected, and pushed through independent, peer reviewed processes. What good would it be to adopt extreme, unverified alien conspiracies in large protest groups and march on the Capitol?

Peaceful protests are only necessary and attained through a stable process of UAP transparency and education. This is the only way to regain lost trust. On the topic of trust: one might argue that Pentagon spokesperson position - speaking as mouthpiece for the supposed UAP Obfuscators within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) and the wider Department of Defense (DoD) - had failed to consider the ramifications of deceiving the American people on UAP.

The secrecy becomes a national security threat

Most people would agree that governments need to keep classified secrets to protect their economic and military edge over foreign adversaries. However, most people would argue that the anomalous phenomena are exempt from that process. This issue belongs to humanity, not defense contractors for the Pentagon. Some UAP analysts have pointed to the link between 'UFO conspiracies' and 70 years of government denials and classified secrecy. Consider, when the public underbelly believe they are being lied to, frustration and conspiracy inevitably ensure distrust emerges. This paradigm is then applied by the people against all government as the dominant social model. The widespread impetus to hate the government is usually what brings down government – this has been the historical pattern of revolutions.

Thus, the danger of fake news and misinformation suddenly can be supercharged as a weapon.

Trump himself had exasperated conspiracies of the deep state and 'fake news' and even commented on Roswell in 2020. Mixing facts and fiction however, without clarification is indeed a dangerous trait to follow.

Donald Trump himself was never the sole architect of the dysfunction, he unethically saw and took the opportunity to further himself by encompassing the people's frustration and then weaponising that political arm. The truer, more sinister problems ran deeper from within a system which hides and has manipulated the truth from the people for seventy plus years. But if the people cannot tell fact from fiction, truth from lies and honest government from conspiracy, then what does that leave us with?

Perhaps we should think about some of the internet conspiracies which

have flooded social media over the past 20 years - Flat Earth, JFK, 9/11, Fake Moon Landing and Q-Anon's 'PizzaGate' conspiracies - all of which fuel distrust of government. And the mother of all conspiracy, are UFOs. After all, if 'UFO conspiracies' are to be believed, and they are by millions of Americans, it has fuelled distrust and anger from the people towards the system.

The January 06th riots may not have been caused or directly associated with UAP/UFOs, but they certainly came from the same political system which failed the people (and we can incorporate the military industrial complex as part of that system). Whilst mainstream media laughed and ridiculed those Trump supporters, those same people grew in numbers, networked, and found solace in the fact others too believed what they believed. And at the core of them all, was distrust of the political system. Trump was never the problem (at least not the bigger problem), he was the consequence of a broken system that was lashing out in any way it could. The real issue came from a system that no longer recognised the people's voice and instead valued hidden interests above the democratic process. And this is the genuine threat to national security.

THURSDAY

30th of January, 2021

'Two worlds collide.'

In late 2020, I was invited to join the group UAPMediaUK – a think-tank media company whose focus was on unidentified anomalous phenomena (UAP). The idea was to engage the British government, to encourage them to take accountability for the objects that were plaguing the United States military. We needed some transparency on UAP from the Ministry of Defence (MOD), who are these vehicles belonging to, where are they coming from, where are they going to and are our British military encountering UAP? The team of Andy, Dan, Dave, Graeme, Vinnie and Chris (former member) pursued media organisations and journalists with credible UAP encounters. UAPMediaUK would go onto play an important part in the End UAP Secrecy campaigns on both sides of the pond, and even supported the think tank SkyFort. In the beginning however it was difficult for me personally, and my role was restricted and limited for various reasons to the point I requested

Dan be the link between organisations. And no better person could there have been, Dan (*@TheZignal*) is one of the most intelligent, insightful activists I have worked alongside. But I knew I had to be careful, with a family and professional job to consider. I also had to be mindful of the dangers surrounding a topic which was socially toxic, stigmatising and mostly full of cultists who pray to clouds (most of whom had decided to hate me for trying to reframe the conversation).

Consequently, as the phone started to ring I panicked. I knew what the display would say before I even looked over at my phone, I knew that was my chance, but I also knew I was not able to lead openly in that role. Lue had called and I simply could not answer. To take that call would mean it was real, *all of it*, and that was something that I could not merge into my everyday life. Part of me, however, does regret not answering the call but then part of me knows I did the right thing at that time. Plus, at the time I was bathing my infant son so it would not have been practical to answer and speak about any UAP stuff. I guess in that moment I realised my two worlds were polar opposite - black and white, Republican and Democrat, Adam and Andreas. The problem was that there was no cross over and no understanding. For all the world knew *'Adam'* had no real connection to 'UAP', minus a few yet to be released articles for UAPMediaUK. They certainly did not know that for the last four years I had been running a massive social media activism campaign to engage the United States and United Kingdom government into investigating UAP. It was never that I kept it an overtly secret, it was just the fact that you cannot have the conversation with people without explaining things they are not ready to hear. The truth is that I saw UAPMediaUK as a means to merge my two contrasted worlds, to bring people into my own hidden UAP world. This took about as much strategy to '*out myself*' as it did to formulate End UAP Secrecy campaign strategies.

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31st of January, 2021
'*Interview*.'

Here I make reference to an interview for UAPMediaUK between myself and Mr. Elizondo in which I was incredibly fortunate enough to have and ask some questions. The interview is available on our UAPMediaUK website (3). This was a landmark for me personally and the first time I

stepped away from the safety of by alias of Andreas Freeman Stahl and into Adam – a big step forward for me. Interesting to note, I asked the former director of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) if he ever envisaged a time when Congressional hearings would take place:

> **ADAM**: Do you ever envisage a time in the future when we will have open, unclassified hearings in congress as to the nature of the phenomenon?
> **LUE**: *YES!*

Also, another important question I put to him was about activism and how he would sum up efforts going forward.

> **ADAM:** And finally, using only a few words can you sum up the next few years for UAP research and activism?
> **LUE**: *"Pursue", "Discuss", "Engage".*

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Conclusions

The political climate in those years 2017-2021 were incredible difficult to navigate from the perspective of an activist trying to unite people. The division within America was split and split fiercely. Trump's Q-Anon supporters backed the incursions of the January 06th, which were incited through weeks and weeks of false election fraud claims. This ripped a hole in the UAP research and activism community and devoured a lot of time and energy. My own neutral position brought criticisms from both the right and the left with my calls to keep politics out of #UFOTwitter not being heard. Eventually, Trump would leave office and the political climate would settle down, however the problems remained that brought Trump to power, the issues of distrust and conspiracy lingered on. The perception of a flawed system which benefited only the ruling elite and kept secrets from them only ensured that people would become disenfranchised and disillusioned that the people in power represented them. Western energy wars and the threat of terrorism promoted an ideology of hate and extreme patriotism which served only to fracture democratic societies. And then we must consider the impact of the UAP secret, a cancer eating at the heart of democracy.

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Chapter Seventeen: 60 minutes and the Navy Pilot

A few months had passed without incident and seemingly the political climate within America was settling down. The healing process from the January 06th riots was only in its infancy and as you might expect with hearings on the incident not until 2022. President Biden unfortunately had said absolutely nothing to the anomalous phenomena. The new President's entire concern was on a post Trump era, Covid-19, which along with the entire Trump administration from 2016-2020 had absorbed all focus and attention. Say what you will about Trump, he remained the most vocal President on Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) during his four years in office. The next major piece of the UAP puzzle was not too far away however and would essentially kick start the biggest year for the topic to date. The Congressional UAP report was months away and the momentum was building. The UAP initiative was about reaching as many people as possible with the most credible UAP data - this meant utilising influential platforms with large audiences, and it meant ensuring credible voices spoke out. Very few could deny that 2021 would prove to be a massive year for the UAP. The once lacklustre mainstream media suddenly had become interested in all things anomalous, and also, they had become interested in the legislation which was being drafted. In the world of #UFOTwitter we suddenly had Mr. Elizondo reaching out to do podcasts and bring some increased education to our small corner of Ufology. He had a plan, and it was working.

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FRIDAY

19th of March, 2021

'UFOs captured by satellites.'

We can argue that the start of the 2021 wave that built up to the UAP report in June, was started in March on a Friday no different to any other. The

starting pistol came with the words of the former Director of National Intelligence (DNI) John Ratcliffe. Fox News Journalist Maria Bartiromo managed to get former DNI John Ratcliffe to talk about Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) ahead of the deadline for the government to disclose what it knows about them via the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) report. He confirmed that "*usually we have multiple sensors that are picking up these things"* to a rather startled Bartiromo who couldn't quite grasp what was being conveyed in real time (1) (2). Consider that the man she was interviewing had recently held one of the highest positions in the intelligence community and was speaking about concepts most people have only heard about in Hollywood movies. A serious man talking about silly fringe issues.

John Ratcliffe was an American politician and attorney who served as the DNI from 2020 to 2021 under the Trump administration. He holds the honour of being the very first ever Director of National Intelligence (to have held the office) to speak about UAP, something that he should be remembered for if nothing else. He played a big part in de-stigmatising the issue for the political right in those months, and seemingly worked on the UAP issue behind closed door. He is certainly deserving of his role in the UAP initiative.

The day after his appearance on Fox News, we in UAPMediaUK wrote a few articles about this interview. Ratcliffe stated that there had been a lot more encounters that had not been made public and some of those had been declassified. He continued to say that the UAP had been observed by Navy pilots and picked up by satellites tracking them (1) (2).

This was a very big deal, and some say spearheaded the wave of interest that led up to the UAPTF report. John Ratcliffe had confirmed on Fox News to millions of right-wing Americans the existence of the anomalous phenomena and acknowledged that UAP were being tracked on radar, by satellites and by military pilots. We are told that this did not go down well in some corners of the intelligence community – primarily as the former DNI had just confirmed Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) are tracked by satellites – meaning they were being picked up within Earth's higher atmosphere.

THURSDAY

08th of April, 2021
'The Corbell/Knapp leaks.'

Researcher Dave Beaty was the first to make people aware about a potential UAP case that involved the USS Kidd in 2019 (3). Others, writing for The Drive in 2021 (4), followed on the story after receiving some interesting Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) data about the USS Kidd's position. From this they pieced together a timeline which showed other Navy vessels had encountered strange *Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)* or '*drones'* which then swarmed the area. This series of events from July 2019 (see case reports) was the setting for two famous videos – the Omaha 'Spheres' and the Russell 'Pyramids'. Released by Jeremy Corbell the US Navy photographed and filmed 'Pyramid' shaped UFOs and 'Spherical' shaped advanced transmedium vehicles (5) (6) (7) (8).

The July 2019 incursions off the West Coast are covered fully in the Case Reports chapter within this book and examine in detail the UAP incursions that buzzed United States Navy destroyers USS Rafael Peralta, USS Russell, USS John Finn, and the USS Paul Hamilton. The July 2019 encounters are also said to be another reported case that was used to brief Congress and others at the classified and unclassified level in 2020. All these encounters remain officially *unidentified* stated the Chief of Naval operations at the time in 2020. Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Gilday stated that the objects (UAP) had been sighted by other nations besides the United States (9).

Despite this still being the case in 2022, we were told that there was much emphasis and actions taken by certain interests to ensure that the July 2019 incursions were dismissed as *'drones'*. When The Drive managed to get FOIA returns from the July incidents the logs referred to the objects as *'drones' / 'Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)'* and *'Unidentified Aerial Vehicles (UAV)'*. Additionally, it is reported that the Navy sailors were advised against using the terms UAP, UFOs, or any specific shape descriptors that would alert the UAP research community that these events might be anomalous and start investigating. Incidentally, the two interesting cases of the USS Russell and the USS Omaha and their non-aerodynamic shapes were not covered within the initial bout of deck logs released by The Drive in 2021.

Journalist George Knapp and Jeremy Corbell released the famous

videos of the USS Russell ‘Pyramids’ and the USS Omaha ‘Sphere’ to a whirlwind of controversy and which were confirmed very quickly as authentic by the Pentagon (10) (11). The two main videos brought debate and counter debate of ‘deflating balloons’, ‘Stars’, and ‘Bokeh’, which to be quite honest were very effective and stand as a very good possible explanations in the absence of limited data. The light aberration/Bokeh explanation was effective from the perspective that they persuaded some people these videos were misidentified objects. But ultimately, we don’t have the data to conclude.

Alternative Explanations

The problem with the cases of the USS Omaha and the USS Russell is the same problem with the cases involved with the USS Roosevelt (2014/2015) – without additional data the videos are open to speculation and biased interpretation. Many believe that debunker Mick West successfully argued that the USS Russell ‘Pyramid’ was simply a lighting effect of the camera used, that under certain out of focus conditions – known as ‘Bokeh’ – a distant object can take the shape of a triangle or sphere. Without any additional data, we would accept that this would be a very valid explanation. However, the problem is that Knapp and Corbell have maintained that these videos came from briefing documents/slides, via which, the objects were reported as ‘Spheres’ and more intriguingly, flying ‘Pyramids’. The two claims of Knapp/Corbell vs. West can only survive together in one realty without additional data. Both claims of 'Pyramids' and Bokeh cannot both exist logistically, one is right, and one is wrong. Either someone has tricked Corbell and Knapp into a disinformation campaign to convince them that flying ‘Pyramids’ exist and are buzzing strike groups, or, it was all very much real and the objects are anomalous. In 2022, and at the Congressional hearing on UAP, the head of the Navy and OUSD(I) stated that the USS Russell video was suspected to be the result of a camera-light aberration or ‘Bokeh’. We will discuss this in later chapters.

FRIDAY

30th of April, 2021
‘New Yorker.’

One of our big objectives within the UAP initiative was to have mainstream media critically, and objectively examine the issue. So, when *The New Yorker,* a respected media outlet in America, published a lengthy and relatively fair assessment of the history of UFOs (12) we welcomed in another milestone. More surprising, was the level of investment that the author had gone to when looking into the UFO phenomenon. Listening to Mr. Lewis-Kraus give an interview with Chris Hayes of MSNBC hit home on various points (13). Mr. Lewis-Kraus was unaware that the topic was not always considered *fringe,* a point that represents most people who do not know about UFOs.

Mr. Lewis-Kraus writes "…. *there is this kind of forgotten stretch of history where UFOs were a major part of the public conversation and weren't relegated to the fringes."* (12). Lewis-Kraus is exactly the type of unbiased, objective media person that we wanted to seriously examine this issue of UAP. His now famous article for *The New Yorker: 'How the Pentagon started taking U.F.O.s seriously,'* did exactly what we hoped. It examined the historical role of the United States Government in UFOs and also managed to highlight the credibility of certain Ufology cases such the Chicago O'Hare incident (07th of November, 2006). A very important case in which a 'disc' was observed hovering above O'Hare airport before shooting up vertically leaving a perfect circle in cloud layering (12). Ufology is filled with similar stories over the last 70 years, and it is important that such data is taken seriously from the perspective of investigation. And that occurs when other respectable writers and journalists follow in the footsteps of Mr. Lewis-Kraus, a credit to the truth.

We need a million more like him.

MONDAY

03rd of May, 2021
'Mr. President.'

That Monday, the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General (14) released a statement indicating that they intended to evaluate to what extent the Department of Defense (DoD) had been involved within Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena. Elizondo and his seasoned attorney, Daniel Sheehan, had presented a legal claim against his former employer for lying about him publicly. This was a big statement, and one which we knew

stemmed from a disinformation campaign being provided to the American people by some in the DoD. The UAP-Obfuscators who had been behind the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) walk-back, the lies about Elizondo, and the misinformation over UAP, was being investigated by the highest internal government authority. The war over AATIP has taken another turn, this time for the better. At long last and after years of losing more battles than we won, we had finally got someplace. Time would tell.

Presidential statement of intent

The climax of the early quarter UAP wave of 2021 would undoubtedly be the Preliminary UAP Report to congress. However, the major voice of that wave would undoubtedly come from former President Barack Obama. In February, he had confirmed to Stephen Colbert that during office he had investigated UFOs but was not able to say what he had found - and with a straight face no less. Obama had become the highest ranking official to ever acknowledge the anomalous phenomena. Then he did it again, this time on late Monday night talk show interview with James Cordon (15) (16). His words were a god send for us, almost as though they were planned and thought about carefully. We had no prior indication he would come forward on UAP as there was no real reason for Obama to go on a national talk show with fellow Brit James Cordon. But he did, and we are more certain than ever that he knew more then he has let on during his Presidency.

"What is true... is that there's footage and records of objects in the skies that we don't know exactly what they are. 'We can't explain how they moved, their trajectory… they did not have an easily explainable pattern….so I think that people still take seriously trying to investigate and figure out what that is."

- Former President Barack Obama, The Late Late Show, (2021)

The story received mainstream coverage and would eventually lead to President Joe Biden being asked the UAP question, to which he was clearly not ready to receive. It was later in the month, on Friday 21st of May, that President Biden was stood on a podium and looked sheepish – a far cry from the confident semi-uniformed Trump responses about knowing interesting things about Roswell. Sadly, the new President, in contrast, became visibly uncomfortable. Biden quickly, and dismissively told the reporter he should

"*…ask him again*", when referring to Barack Obama's comments about unidentified objects (17).

He was indicating the reporter should ask Obama the question again and simply couldn't handle the question. Then the Catholic President stumbled and quickly exited the stage to the right without taking out his translation earpiece (17). As you can imagine, our team was disappointed. One of the goals on our remit as activists is to have a sitting President acknowledge the anomalous phenomena, some, have even considered this to be a form of disclosure. But it was not to be.

On Tik-Tok, the short Obama-Cordon video I posted got close to quarter of a million views. And for the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign video, we managed 25k views in a few days and would spread it into every mainstream media outlet we could find. It didn't need much selling as when Obama speaks, the world listens, particularly the political left.

SUNDAY

17th of May, 2021

'*Worth the wait.*'

In late 2018, whilst working for the now defunct UAPinfo organisation, I was able to come across some *sensitive* information. One such document was Luis Elizondo's resignation letter, which we released to the public on our website before retracting it when we discovered the information was not meant for the public release. It was too late, the letter found its way to the general public and then lived its own life. There were other pieces of data which I will not discuss here, nor did I discuss in my first book, some information simply isn't ours to release. The reason I mention this is because another piece of very sensitive data was available, the details of a navy pilot who witnessed the 'Tic-Tac' event as part of the USS Nimitz Encounters (2004) case.

Lt. Cmdr. Alex Dietrich is her name – a patriot and a hero. Her great name we can now speak openly about due to her coming forward in May 2021 on the 60 minutes program. CBS journalist Bill Whitaker interviewed Navy Pilots Dietrich and Fravor on national television in America. The YouTube views reaching a staggering 10'569'265 and 143'000k likes at time of writing (02/02/2022). A quick search of the 60 minutes YouTube channel shows that the 13 minutes segment goes well beyond any other viewing

figures – the closest coming from '*Robots of the Future at Boston Dynamics'* with 1.7 million views. It would seem that UAP/UFOs have massive interest, and 60 minutes know this now.

Going back to Dietrich - for us in the UAP research and activism community, she is a patriot. A hero. A cloud lover but doesn't pray to them. A person who did the right thing with courage and integrity. I personally was happy to carry her identity, even when I was directly involved in activism and referred to her anonymously. Her identity was her own and not for anyone else to *out her*.

A rumour we heard was that 60 minutes would not run the segment with Elizondo due to the claims by Pentagon Spokesperson Susan Gough that he didn't have any assigned responsibilities to AATIP and that AATIP wasn't a UAP program. They would apparently reach out to General James Mattis (former Secretary of Defense 2017-2019) who apparently confirmed Elizondo's position and role. 60 minutes would have only needed to look to Harry Reid - the Senator who created AATIP - to confirm his position. Either way, this was a huge milestone and perfectly timed in the lead up to the UAP Report.

MONDAY

24th of May, 2021
'*Grave encounters.'*

Around this time frame, both Dietrich and Graves (Navy Pilots from USS Nimitz and USS Roosevelt incidents) would appear on our #UFOTwitter platform with Dietrich taking to CNN on the 18th of May to announce the wonderfulness of #UFOTwitter to a few million people. A lovely sentiment, but a move which would grow the community experientially, and ultimately spiral the numbers out of control and beyond our small group. Given that we operated within small boundaries to ensure a strict remit was kept, vast numbers diluted the message quicker than we could spread it – and once a few thousand people start using your hashtag you lose control of what it was meant to be. People did not understand that we created #UFOTwitter for a reason, to sidestep Ufology and implement the UAP initiative. C'est la vie. The positives however, meant that a wider audience (journalists, politicians, media personnel) was watching and reading what Navy Pilots Graves and Dietrich were saying. It helped to clear up some

misinformation about the three UFO videos that certain debunkers were trying to put out there.

Confirming the GIMBAL UAP

Former Navy Pilot Ryan Graves was in the air on January 21st, 2015 - the day the GIMBAL video was filmed by his colleagues. Graves, who first came out in 2019 via The New York Times article 'Wow, what is that?', stated that the 'Spheres with Cubes' were the most common feature of the 2014/2015 Roosevelt incursion case which occurred up and down the East Coast of America. Graves describes that the 'Cubes with Spheres' were part of the GIMBAL formation and flew in a sequential pattern. Graves would also confirm on twitter the sequence of events that led up to the GIMBAL footage, and that the object did indeed rotate, despite the pseudo-debunking efforts of YouTubers. Graves was a big part of enabling the public to understand the incursions, and I have been fortunate enough to ask him some clarifying questions since he came onto social media.

As the GIMBAL case would unfolded across social media, some great work was complied by Marik von Rennenkampff who would frequently challenge Mick West's work about the distant jet theory. Marik would write occasionally for The Hill (18) and bring a sense of rationality to the mainstream understanding of what UAP might mean for us. Thankfully, Marik adopted our own position - that this is a phenomenon to be investigated, rather than one that should be explained away or labelled as something extreme. In one such article in the summer of 2021, Marik points out the strange position that debunkers find themselves - who essentially are advocating that the government and the UAP Task Force is at fault when identifying the UAP issue. This is a complete U-turn from the days when the sceptic would argue in favour of the government and the conspiracy theorist would argue against them.

History is not without a sense of irony it would seem.

THURSDAY
27th of May, 2021
'Deleted.'

At the start of May, we had the Inspector General reveal that they were evaluating how DoD had handled the UAP initiative. By the end of May we had a clearer picture thanks to the work of The Blackvault's Freedom of Information Act replies. It would be revealed that Luis Elizondo had his emails wiped by somebody within DoD after he left the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) and after he came forward about AATIP and UAP (19). Increasingly, the AATIP walk back *was* orchestrated in some regard. By whom exactly, well that would have to uncovered in the coming years. With the focus now on the UAP Task Force, the significance of AATIP was not as important in terms of a battle ground – however the truth is still important when telling an accurate historical narrative. Seemingly, someone was trying to delete the Pentagon's UFO program from existence along with its director.

But why would anyone go to such extremes?

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Conclusions

'Miraculous May' was the title given to that spring month in 2021 by Stephen Kearns, Paul Reddington and other UAP analysts. It was another massive steppingstone which but massive internal pressure on the UAP-Obfuscators within DoD who were holding back UAP information. Also, the statements of former President Obama and the appearance of fighter pilots Graves, Dietrich and Fravor had a big impact on mainstream stigma. The 60 minutes program produced huge viewing numbers and was a massive turning point in the conversation despite only being 13 minutes in length. With the UAP Report to Congress due in June, the pressure was really becoming an effective tool for activists who took every opportunity to write and email major news outlets.

All of this and the best was yet to come.

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Chapter Eighteen: The Director of National Intelligence's report on Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

The preliminary interim Unidentified Aerial Phenomena report published via the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (1) was never about confirming 'extra-terrestrials' to the mainstream, despite that being a potential hypothesis due to the extreme technology involved. We had known for months leading up to the June release that it was always about allowing a foothold for Congress to establish something more permanent, something more likely to move the ball down the field. The report was creating the opportunity for legislation, it was creating proof that there was *something* to the entire phenomena and it needed official investigation. The report also suggested that this was its own 'other' category separate from foreign drones and rogue aircraft identification programs. Unfortunately, most of the mainstream would not understand that the report was an interim report for a reason, despite being told this by the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) research community. More data was required, and that data as it would turn out was being held back by the Airforce (USAF) - according to an article by Christopher Mellon (2). The main problem was that certain agencies were unable or unwilling to allow the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) access to the data which would probably give a much better conclusion towards origin of the anomalous phenomena. Radar data was one such issue. Imagine for example that the satellite recording of UAP data (as suggested by former DNI Ratcliffe) shows such vehicles entering Earth's atmosphere from deep space at hypersonic speeds - what can we conclude from that? What could we conclude if these anomalous transmedium vehicles are trans-versing vast distances in under a second? What if these UAP are coming from the oceans? We can consider that such radar data (alongside other sensory data) is key to tracking origin and destination of these strange objects. Should this data have been 'withheld' under classification, this is a serious issue with regards to oversight. But again, this was always just an interim report to highlight that *something* is here, and the government do not know what it is.

We do however, need to find out.

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WEDNESDAY

03rd of June, 2021

"The White House has been briefed."

That morning, my drive to Northallerton in the North Yorkshire countryside left me thinking about the upcoming autumn days and where my professional future was headed. I am referring to my real job that pays me money to live, eat, and buy stuff - not the volunteer role in UAP research and activism. Due to real-life responsibilities, I knew I could not in good conscience accept any in-depth positions working in 'unofficial' UAP campaigns, even if the proposed team presented an opportunity to work with well connected people. As much as some of those tentative associations would be leaked in later years, my focus was on being stealthy for the sake of my own professional career. One proposal came from a seemingly professional team of highly intelligent people who were on the cutting edge of UAP exposure, they moved information from A to B effectively, responsibly, and by the numbers - meanwhile, I often struggled to operate the photocopier at work.

Questioning my own self-efficacy and abilities withstanding, my main worry came that if I was accepted onto the upcoming OT degree apprenticeship course in the September of 2021, my time, effort, and focus wouldn't be available for the very serious organisation that was trying to bring UAP to the world. This was something that required time and energy, and also something I couldn't afford to manage. Prior to setting off that morning, my fingers typed out a message to a someone within the UAP initiative, explaining my situation and my concerns and that most probably I would be stepping back from UAP campaigning anyways later in the year. As a man of integrity - he understood – as always.

When I arrived at work that morning, my memory tells me I was stood in the photocopying room, attempting and failing to print out various data sheets for the morning. I remember standing in that same room I had stood some seven years earlier on my very first day working with the National Health Service. How times have changed I thought smiling to myself, how the world has changed... *and is still changing.*

As I awaited to start my shift my phone buzzed. I was surprised to

find that it was an alert for The New York Times article on the report and that somehow, they had seen the report prior to its release (3). Seemingly, someone had gone to them and leaked it ahead of time, and seemingly that same someone was painting a picture that the report was a whole load of nothingness. '*The government report found no evidence of extra-terrestrials'* was the gleefully pushed narrative. But then, who even mentioned extra-terrestrials? And why do people who have no prior experience of the Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) phenomenon always immediately associate extra-terrestrials as though that is the only possible explanation? Why is the world so desperate to discredit this hypothesis? Why do people so badly want to disbelieve?

The UAP report was about identifying that something anomalous was real, a potential threat, and that these somethings were classed as unidentified by the military. And whatever they are, they are engaging us frequently. Sadly, the journalists seemed more focused on proving or should I say disproving extra-terrestrials.

'*Government report finds no evidence UFOs were alien spacecraft.'*

- Barnes and Cooper, The New York Times, (2021).

We always knew the report was to purposely be inconclusive on the UAP origin question, but this was a majorly damaging article title that poured water on the entire issue, going far beyond the 'ET' hypothesis. Later the article and title was edited to the following:

'U.S. Finds No Evidence of Alien Technology in Flying Objects, but Can't Rule It Out, Either'

- Barnes and Cooper, The New York Times, (2021).

It made little difference. This was still a blow to our activism campaign - not that out campaign was about proving *aliens* exist, but the momentum suffered majorly when the article dismissed the entire anomalous phenomena based on the 'extra-terrestrial' hypothesis. Consider the entirety of the last few years had been slowly building to this moment, and in an instant the hype was tailored to suit conventional thinking. Just like a big giant weather balloon it was deflating fast in a bureaucratic storm. But the storm always passes, this after all was a process as we have been told over the years. Have patience,

disclosure will happen eventually - easier said than believed. As reported by *The-Sun* on Thursday June 17th, Congressman and Republican Tim Burchett highlighted at the time the seriousness of the issue and stated *"...clearly, something's going on that we can't handle…. so, I mean they've been around since we've been around, and somebody needs to come up with some answers."* (4). No matter what you might think about Burchett's politics or politician party, the guy has fought hard for disclosure. He would become a strong voice in the UAP initiative efforts. We would take what we could get.

FRIDAY

25th of June 2021
'Report arrival'

Late that Friday evening and I was at home when the interim report finally arrived via the DNI.gov website (1). The build up that day had gained some momentum across #UFOTwitter as we eagerly anticipated something important. As we most things UAP, the hype often exceeded what is delivered and the report would no doubt fall into such a category.

One of the more intriguing elements on that build up was Washington correspondence Kellie Meyer confirming by tweet that, *'the White House has been briefed on the UAP report'* (5). This was important and the closest we had come to official acknowledgment that something anomalous was present in our skies (and oceans). However just because the White House had been briefed on the report does not mean that they went into profound details. This topic has had a history of not providing the President and his advisors the most accurate summary of the situation. Only certain Presidents were briefed, apparently.

The Preliminary UAP Report of 2021

The UAPTF preliminary report from June 2021 was engaged by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) in response to a provision in Senate Report 116-233. This accompanied the Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA) for Fiscal Year 2021 in which the DNI, in collaboration with the Secretary of Defense (SECDEF) was required to submit an intelligence assessment of the threat posed by UAP. Arguably, this was the most important report to have been released on unidentified objects in over 50

years and one which left much speculation.

1. *Of the entire 144 case reports it tackles, the interim report only comes up with an explanation for only one. This means 143 case reports are unexplained.*
2. *In 18 incidents, described in 21 reports, observers reported unusual UAP movement patterns or flight characteristics.*

- Office of the Director of National Intelligence - UAP Preliminary Report, (2021) (1).

The report essentially stated that there is an advanced technology we simply don't understand and that we need more data before concluding. Instantly after the release, the conspiracy drama theorists were hailing this as 'Condon 2.0' – essentially meaning a whitewash report aimed at discrediting the findings. However, this was a poor take, given that there was now legislation in writing saying 143/144 cases couldn't be identified. But because we didn't get the *extra-terrestrial* confirmation catch-line, Ufology and Ufologists started to eat themselves.

As we have highlighted already in this series, the pointless obsession to prove the extra-terrestrial hypothesis within Ufology has been its downfall for almost seventy plus years. The UFO field has always tried to prove the unprovable with no access to tangible data or hard evidence. Credit where credit is due, what Ufologists do have, and have always had, is an understanding that a perceived anomalous technology is here – although who is behind the wheel is another conversation entirely and one that takes time and strategy to manoeuvre into the collective mainstream.

In terms of the report, we knew what it really meant, we knew this was the incentive and legal presuppose that congress demanded to be able to move forward. It was all strategy and planning ten steps ahead. As journalist Tim McMillan would joke with very serious intent; '*the intelligence community are playing chess while Ufologists are playing hungry, hungry hippos.'* He was right, people need to think three, four and five steps ahead and not jump at instant gratification.

The Redacted Classified Report of 2022

It would not be until the March of 2022 that the next piece of the UAPTF

report puzzle would be released. The redacted version of the 2021 UAPTF report was released via FOIA and was different to the unclassified report, containing much more clues as to what UAP might be. The redacted classified report was a condensed to a final seventeen pages was released by the Blackvault. This was an important document with more information released about what was seen by both Congress and the White House. Interestingly, in both the unclassified and the redacted-classified reports, the focus was on a request for more data and high-quality data. Both reports stating that the "*limited amount of high-quality reporting on UAP hampers our ability to draw firm conclusions about the nature or intent of UAP"* (6).

A critical review of both versions of the UAPTF report shows the expansive differences and redactions between the two. The unclassified UAPTF/DNI report was shorter at nine pages whereas the redacted classified report was seventeen pages. Information is 'blacked out' throughout the classified report to protect issues regarding 'sources and methods' and other issues regarding matters of national security. Both the unclassified and the redacted classified reports confirm that UAP sightings tended to cluster around United States training and testing grounds and concede that this might be a case of increased ability to record anomalies by the military.

However, the redacted classified report of 2022 does go into much more detail with regards to giving case details when examining emerging patterns and UAP appearance. As the figures show, the most common 'shape' described by military personnel in their reporting was *classified* in the redacted report. Additionally, case report details that include the year, day, time are also classified. Also details of the type of aircraft flown are classified - although the UAPTF/DNI report of 2022 does give unclassified examples of the advanced technology of some UAP, again without giving away details.

More interesting is that both the 2021 unclassified report and the 2022 redacted-classified report state that UAP are able to operate in a stationary position against high winds and '*manoeuvre abruptly or at considerable speed without discernible means of propulsion'* (6). The redacted report includes case details and examples whereas the unclassified report does not. Additionally, the redacted classified report has more appendixes than presented in the unclassified report. The unclassified report has A and B, whilst the classified report A to D.

Also, the redacted UAPTF/DNI report states that a collection of UAP data was taken and analysed by the following: a. GEOINT; b. SIGINT; c. HUMINT; and d. MASINT.

‘Common and irregular Shapes’

When the UAPMediaUK team reached out to various former Department of Defense officials about the classified element of the ‘shapes’, there were interesting considerations as to why the report might specifically classify the appearance of the UAP. The main explanation would be that the information is kept from adversary nations. Essentially, given the fact that we wouldn’t want them to know that we know they exist – should any of these objects and devices belong to them. The UAP issue is steeped in issues of counterintelligence, but not against the American public, against adverse nations who might not have the West’s best interests at heart.

Additionally, if these UAP are something anomalous then arguably we might not want another nation from knowing this technology exists at all, and then certainly we would not want them replicating the technology. And then there is the anomalous theory (non-human origin), that should the classified ‘shapes’ in fact be: ‘Discs’ ‘Cubes’ ‘Tic-Tacs’ ‘Triangles’ and ‘Pyramids’ (7), then that is a very difficult and highly complex conversation to have with the American public. If there are these weird geometrically shaped devices buzzing and swarming Navy vessels that can do what no technology on Earth can do (8), then how do you begin to disclose that?And consider that the word ‘*alien’* suddenly comes into sharp focus, and everything changes instantly.

There are many reasons why the redacted Preliminary UAPTF/DNI report has remained under heavy classification in various areas, and why the unclassified report was vague on details and content. Although we should be sceptical in regard to a lack of available data, thanks to the classification placed upon the report, we should also consider the various alleged UAP data emergence and leaks that have occurred from 2017 through to 2021.

Since 2017, intelligence officials, military personnel and Navy Pilots have reported geometric *anomalous* shapes engaging sensitive airspace. Some have alleged ‘transmedium’ properties such as the Omaha Sphere (9) (see USS Omaha Sphere case report from July 2019) and the extremities displayed are beyond human technology. The real mystery of UFOs is that

they are in fact ‘USOs’, which stands for Unidentified Submerged Objects – which Congress would later define as transmedium technology and in 2022 - Unidentified Aerospace-Undersea Phenomena (UAUP).

They are coming from our oceans.

Other UAP/UFOs/USOs are reported to have non-aerodynamic shapes such as the proposed ‘Pyramids’ over the USS Russell (see USS Russell case report from July 2019). These are two cases in which ‘swarms’ of irregularly shaped UAP buzzed Navy strike groups in the July of 2019, the videos of which were leaked to Jeremy Corbell in 2021 who was told they were part of the UAPTF briefings. The videos were confirmed by the Pentagon as being taken by the Navy.

As we have already discussed in earlier chapters, on the 6th of April 2021, Mystery Wire released photos of unidentified objects that were allegedly from a UAPTF report in which the three strangely shaped objects remained stationary at 30k feet (see the East Coast incursions case report from 2019). These three unusual, shaped objects, ‘Acorn’, ‘Sphere’ and ‘Metallic Blimp’ are still lacking in information but with researchers able to confirm that the VFA-32 squadron was the flight team involved.

These are shapes that were captured as a Navy Pilot weapon system operator (WSO) took photos on his/her iPhone. According to documentary film maker Jeremy Corbell, these photos were used as part of a classified congressional briefing by the office of navy intelligence. The incident occurred on March 4th, 2019, off the east coast of the Virginia, over the area W-72 – warning area. A single Navy fighter plane captured three separate objects in the space of 30 minutes.

Other data was forthcoming: leaked date from a UAPTF report was published by The Debrief in 2020 (10), in it contained a ‘transmedium’ huge black triangle that was caught on iPhone camera by a Weapons System Operator as it reportedly arose from the Atlantic Ocean in March 2019.

Going back to 2014/2015, the now infamous USS Roosevelt case off the EAST Coast of America involved Navy Pilot claims of ‘Cubes within Spheres’ that followed in formation the strangely shaped rotating ‘Disc/gyro’ object the world recognises from GIMBAL video. Former Navy Pilot Ryan Graves and Lt. Danny Accoin would confirm to The New York Times in 2019 that the cubes would be out in their airspace all day, and that they would encounter them almost daily for over a year.

Obviously as we all know by now, the most famous UAP case of an

irregular shape, comes from the USS Nimitz in 2004 (see USS Nimitz Encounter case report). Caught on video gun-camera with the video known as 'FLIR1' by Naval aviator Chad Underwood in November 2004. The 40ft long 'cylinder shape' object is known as the 'Tic-Tac' UAP. This irregular shape is *potentially* mentioned in the redacted report however with details not known previously within the mainstream. We currently do not know (at time of writing in 2022) the case details involving the report mentioned helicopter pilot and two weapons systems officers (WSOs). Another case yet to be investigated. Although without access to the redacted parts of the classified report, we cannot assess which case the report is referring to specifically or even if this part of the Nimitz case itself.

It goes without question that we need more data from the United States government before appropriately labelling these UAP and assignment of case reports. Being able to identify specific UAP shapes and data is essential as we move forward, and any classification needs to be removed to allow transparency to occur.

Classification

The 17-page classified report held back information from the public that was blacked-out. Additionally, it is stated in *Appendix D* of the report that photos were also part of the report but were never released in either report. UAP analyst have proposed that the length of the classified report contains seventy-three pages of pictures, statistics, and graphs, but only seventeen pages are in the Congressional version and nine pages in the unclassified version. Congressman Adam Schiff made an important statement about the report, stating they will share with the American public what they can as "*excessive secrecy will only spur more speculation"* (12).

Arguably, it is important that Congressional representatives and leaders from within the Intelligence communities recognise that this issue is derailed and bound by classification. As we have moved forward these past few years there has been an increasing focus on legislation which opens up UAP, but also in a way which benefits national security rather than dismantles it.

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Conclusions

The Preliminary interim UAPTF/DNI report was historic and will come to be part of global history one day for many reasons. It is the first time in fifty years that we see a government taking seriously the phenomena at long last. It also undermined the conclusions of the whitewashed Condon Report from 1969, with the results showing something unknown is operating in our skies. Incidentally, this is the same technology that has been reported from some seventy plus years ago, all the way back to Roswell. Currently, it would seem as though the leaks and emergence of UAP data from military personnel and Navy Pilots is lining up with what has been reported within the UAPTF/DNI redacted report. Sadly, the inserted classification prevent us from knowing which case is which within the report, but the report does also confirm to us that some very advanced technology is operating. We must consider the 'common' and 'irregular shapes' and their ability to perform the 'five observables' (that are taken from the Advanced Aerospace threat Identification Program: AATIP) are essential to our understanding of UAP and their true nature. As we move forward into 2022 and build pressure to Congressional hearings, we know that a new report is due in October 2022 and that classified briefings are ongoing. At some point these key details about ability and appearance must be revealed at an unclassified level, as if they are not, we might expect some leaks to occur. That might not be such a bad thing, so long as they are responsible and don't leak classified material.

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Chapter Nineteen: Extra-Terrestrially

After four years of activism, four years of contacting the government representatives the unthinkable had happened – the United States Government was taking seriously the issue at long last (1) (2). An actual sitting Senator had drafted legislation to propose a robust investigation into Unidentified *Aerial* Phenomena - once referred to as Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). This was by no means the confirming of any anomalous conclusion, but it was still very significant. The proposed legislation was the result of the preliminary UAP report that was unable to identify 143 objects from 144 cases that spanned back to the USS Nimitz encounters of 2004. The consequential *'Gillibrand Amendment'* that followed was the result of four years of orchestrated effort, led by Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon (and other nameless figures on the wider team). It was a united effort to expose a critical flaw in the system and hold the Congress accountable for the national security issue posed by objects that operated without oversight. By the September of 2021, we in the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) research and activism community had a relatively good idea that the classified briefings for oversight committees within Congress held extraordinary things. What they saw were high definition, up close gun camera videos of the anomalous objects as they would come within fifty feet of Navy Pilots fighter jets. These various geometrically shaped objects and devices, that defied our understanding of aerodynamic propulsion, were enough to mobilise Senators and Congress to the potential threat. Apparently, across classified briefings from 2017-2021 there were videos, testimony from military personnel, and additional sensory data coming from people within the Department of Defense (DoD). Thanks to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) UAP report (3) the Congress could now apply ‘evidence-based legislation’ without openly damaging their reputations and careers. However, as you may have probably noticed the entire initiative was based and focused on the ‘nuts and bolts’ of the phenomena. The UAP Task Force and effort to engage Congress was based around the work that was done by the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) rather than the larger more robust Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application

Program (AAWSAP).

This was done purposefully and wilfully.

SUNDAY

10th of October, 2021

'*Skinwalker and the Pentagon.'*

Possibly the most controversial book of the last four years was released that Sunday, and certainly raised some eyebrows for the Pentagon investigation. '*Skinwalkers at the Pentagon*' (4) showed the very different approaches applied to the anomalous phenomena by the two Pentagon programs from within the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and the Office of the Under Secretary for Intelligence (OUSDI). The AATIP was focused on unidentified anomalous technology that buzzed military airspace, whereas the larger effort, the AAWSAP focused on the wider more complexly associated phenomena of UAP. AAWSAP covered extreme concepts such as anomalous time dilation, cattle mutilations, abductions, biological radiation effects, portals, crypto-terrestrials, hauntings, poltergeists, black shadowed humanoids.

Lacatski, Kelleher and Knapp, (4) stated that people who came into contact with the anomalous phenomena also reported extra sensory perceptions (ESP) such as precognition, clairvoyance, telepathy, or meaningful synchronicity in their lives after a UAP encounter. As you might imagine, these type of fringe paranormal topics that are associated to the phenomena are not always considered quantifiable by the wider scientific (regardless of if they are true or not). The question of the extra-terrestrial hypothesis is questioned when aspects of associated phenomena are involved in UAP origin determination. Naturally, many civilian scientists working in the real world are not considering these questions. Not even slightly. They are not looking specifically at the traits of anomalous phenomena and studying their effects in detail. The question is whether this is even relevant or just a stigmatising distraction from the verified anomalous vehicles?

"Strong voices existed both inside and outside DIA that argued AAWSAP should only focus on researching the technology of UAPs."

- Lacatski, Kelleher and Knapp, Skinwalker at the Pentagon (2021).

I have to say, I almost agree with calls for a focused approach. From an activism perspective, and I know certain people behind the scenes agree with me on this - we simply cannot use the full spectrum of the phenomena when engaging the mainstream. It is too complex to grasp for the public, too stigmatised, too extreme to absorb as real. Campaigning to tell people that Bigfoot or Crop-Circles are real, or that abductions, cattle mutilations or DNA tampering are done by the anomalous phenomena is not exactly helpful and also without scientific merit.

The current understanding is that the public can acknowledge, accept, and digest the reality that strangely shaped UAP objects of unknown origin are intruding into sensitive airspace. They might even be ok with one accepting that these unknowns might become hostile one day. However, what people generally can't accept is the very angst evoking information about abductions, ghosts, shadow creatures etc, being real – you cannot have exposure efforts via the AAWSAP method because you will experience pushback on a mass scale. We need only look to some individuals who were exposed to the AAWSAP side of the conversation and then watch their minds melt to state of obsessive debunking. This happened very famously with a one-time pro-AATIP journalist who radically turned against the entire issue after the more extreme associations to the anomalous were revealed. Having these types of negative debunking behaviours and unscientific reactions on a macro scale would be devastating.

But *why* does this happen to people?

For one, the psychology tells us that the disconnect of being forced to believe things which are considered 'crazy' or 'fringe' by the rest of society is a significant motivator to such individuals. When we see some of the more well-known debunkers attempt to dismiss the UAP issue, we must consider the strength of the motivating action - much in the same way we must consider the strength of the motivating action of the 'activist' or a 'believer' who fights to change the world's perception of the anomalous phenomena. In contrast to a person who has no prior experience, knowledge or understanding of the UAP issue, both debunker and believer have been exposed to some degree of knowledge regarding UAP and both try to autocorrect external stimulus to match their own belief systems. It comes down to controlling and changing the external world in order to influence internal dissonance.

The implications of stigma on information

If we apply elements of social-psychological models, such as the 'Social Constructivism Theory' (SCT), to how the anomalous phenomena is either accepted or rejected, we can see how an individual builds their own knowledge by connecting their past knowledge with new knowledge (5) in this regard. Vygotsky wrote in 1978 about the importance of social history and emphasised the interaction of social, cultural-historical, and individual aspects as the instigators for developing aptitude within any given society (6). Any individual within a society has an internal ability to judge the social climate and is arguably part of Maslow's hierarchy of needs (7). Avoidance of anxiety, depression, loneliness is an important part achieving 'love and acceptance' within personal relationships. Thus, we are all controlled to a certain extent about what we *can* and *cannot* talk about – the UFO topic heavily falls under the 'cannot talk about' category. As an example, if you start talking about UFOs and 'little green men' at your local Church with people who have no experience or knowledge of the issue, then you know what reaction you will receive before you open your mouth. As social beings, we know which conversations will have us ostracised from our social groups and this is something we desperately try to avoid in order to be socially accepted.

Consequently, we therefore must consider the more extreme paranormal information of AAWSAP - which is at odds with current societal acceptance – and the strength of the individual dissonance. It is perceived that the need to disbelieve, deny and pushback is directly correlated to the perceived extremity of the information and the perceived implications of societal acceptance.

In summary, as activists, we probably cannot tell seven billion people the unverified complexities that come with UAP – *that aliens are abducting people,* etc. This is a process, and one which is drowning in psychology.

SATURDAY

23rd of October, 2021

'Campaign.'

It was the day after my 40th birthday and best UAP themed gift I could have gotten came from the head of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). I came across a short video interview from NASA

administrator Bill Nelson who was repeating his comments from earlier in the year – speaking about Navy Pilot encounters with anomalous technology. This time however, we saw the opportunity to amplify the signal amongst the noise. The #EndUAPSecrecy campaign team shortened the video - to a format that global twitter users could easily look at without losing attention or focus – and then pushed it into the mainstream with every social media outlet possible. This was important, even if people did not understand that importance directly. A sitting head of NASA was confirming UFOs are real (although not the official position of NASA, *yet*) and that was huge (8) (9).

When Mike (@UAP1949) released his NASA - Bill Nelson UAP video, we rallied around it, supported it with likes and retweets to ensure it got wider exposure into media outlets. Within 24 hours the video got half a million views. Today (at time of writing) the videos views are at 606k views, 5'546 likes, 2'237 retweets with over 300 comments (10). A video we still use today to send to media outlets and journalists.

An article in The Hill - a prominent political newspaper in America - headlined an article, *'NASA chief Bill Nelson latest official to suggest UFOs have otherworldly origins'* (9). It was great to see the media slowly picking up on what was happening.

After all, regardless of one's own belief systems, this is a serious issue and deserved to be written by a massive news outlet about a massive story. We cannot overstate this, '*U.S. intelligence analysts are reportedly considering the possibility that recent encounters involved "non-human" technology'*, possibly the greatest sentence written in a major publication about the anomalous phenomena.

In the proceeding days I would write an article for UAPMediaUK (8) stating how important it was to have NASA onboard with UAP investigations. Our team reached out to former AATIP director Luis Elizondo for a comment on the significance of Nelson's comments and the importance of the paradigm shift.

"Just a few years ago, conversations like this would been relegated to sci-fi conventions and fringe conspiracies and yet here we are. Finally recognizing we are at the intersection of science and technology and a path that leads to only one conclusion...DISCLOSURE"

— Luis Elizondo, speaking to UAPMediaUK, (2021).

SUNDAY

31st of October, 2021

'Children of Men.'

Generally, across the #UFOTwitter world nothing would happen for months and months and then without warning 70 years-worth of information and drama will happen within a few short weeks. November into December were those weeks in 2021, those crazy weeks in which UAP exploded into the mainstream political sphere that spanned through Thanksgiving and right up to Christmas. It was almost as if a slow burning plot line had suddenly crash landed into focus, revealing the true moral of the past four years. In reality, this 'UFO' story has been ongoing since 1942 and the first emergence of the 'Foo-Fighters', but for the sake of the UAP revolution it had been since October 2017 and the emergence of Tom Delonge's company 'To The Stars Academy of Arts and Science'. Regardless, the moral here is from an old famous saying by French writer Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr: 'plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose'. It is a story of change, one that is told for all our children. This was a story of progressive intuition versus conserving old paradigms, encapsulated within the disclosure war that occured when these two opposing storylines meet. Perhaps a classic tale that is prevalent throughout history when retold.

In our unique storyline, change is representative of an informed Congress, whilst conservatism is representative of the modern-day DoD who have been forced to acknowledge and become accountable for anomalous rogue technology. I like to think the secrecy of UAP, and DoD, are akin to my pumpkin that sat in the back garden for months after Halloween. You see an uncarved pumpkin can last for over 150 days without being affected by the harshest winter weather conditions – but not long after the pumpkin's surface is sliced or damaged the entire inside starts to rot away, and does so relatively quickly.

Once the surface of the UAP secrecy is sliced open it allows the elements to breach inside and rapidly changes the paradigm, which is what has happened. Undoubtedly, this is the single most significant topic in history and its contents should be carefully scrutinised by Congress, and this is exactly what was about to occur in the years ahead. The secrecy was about to be sliced open.

The world was about to change forever.

FRIDAY

05th of November, 2021
‘Remember, Remember.’

As the night skies over the Tees Valley lit up in a vast array of beautiful colour, the smell of toxic chemicals and thick smoke drifted across the suburbs of south Middlesbrough. Guy Fawkes night in Britain is a *celebration* of the gun powder plot, or was it the overthrowing of the gun powder plot? Either way, that one act of terrorism in 1605 by Catholic activists to overthrow the Protestant King James is remembered some four hundred years later – such is the fear of change to the socio-economic-religious establishment. As much as we humans try to change things within society, there is always a counter movement that regulates that perceived change. It is almost as if those two opposing and seemingly separate sub-entities are working together in tandem, ensuring self-regulation, a symbiotic process of change that doesn’t destroy the entire system itself. Arguably, the progressionists and conservatives proxy war through believers and debunkers was endless. Bloodied internet battles across social media ensured that no harmonious balance would be reached. The health and active engagement of #UFOTwitter was always intertwined. The UAP initiative was the there to be controlled and people certainly tried.

Vendetta

That Friday night seemed to pass quickly as we watched from our bedroom window, the explosions beginning to decrease with the festivities started to fade. For me personally, and for us as the typical middle class British family, the night is about entertainment. Bonfire night isn't a direct reminder of failed political system from the seventeenth century or the corruption of an old archaic monarchy that was dowsed in religious dogma.

For some however, the night of the 05th is about remembering an *activist* rather than a terrorist. The night of a ‘million mask march’ is annually held in London (and globally) to protest about political corruption and the extreme capitalist system that benefits the ‘1%’. This is organised by *'Anonymous'* - who are a social media activist group that wear Guy Fawkes

masks (taken from the 2006 film ‘V for Vendetta’) and are one of the first major online social media movements of the 21st century. Interestingly, you may have noticed that most of the British mainstream media tend to deploy an anti-protest coverage approach to anything which is anti-establishment, which you can understand from the perspective of national security and prevention of rioting/looting, etc.

You might also have noticed that such protests are easily controlled with applied psychological methods, labelling, stereotyping and stigmatising such groups is profoundly easy. One must only exaggerate the worst actions of a small group of individuals and apply their delinquent behaviour to the entire collective, thus negating the entire conversation and message no matter how well meaning. Again, we can look to ‘Extinction Rebellion’ and ‘Green Peace’ whose messages are easily dismissed and stigmatised within the mainstream by interests sympathetic to their cause, applying focus to anti-social behaviour. Additionally, this is why #EndUAPSecrecy has never tried to form physical protests and remained committed to slow-stream online influencing with UAP data. Imagine, we might have had a group of around 20-50 people (at best), standing with signs outside of Parliament to protest the British governments lack of action. The very notion of a poor turnout (20-50 people) would damage the cause through a seeming lack of importance. Then we run the risk of having someone turn up dressed like a ‘green alien’ which again would feed into the stigma. Most importantly, the idea of most protests is to bring awareness to an issue that *already* has a foothold in society. UAP however, has no standing for what it represents.

UAP issue here in the U.K. (from 2017 - 2021) is non-existent, despite an increase in media coverage and hence would have been counterproductive. As stated, our only hope was the infiltration of influential persons of interest through social media platforms and their prolonged exposure to credible UAP information. It is all we could do as we waited for movement in Washington, which covertly came on that Friday as the last of fireworks died out over the Teesside industrial skyline.

WEDNESDAY

10th of November, 2021

‘Extra-terrestrially.’

Transparency is a word meant to please the American people, but

very often never acted upon considering the varying changing global events. Extreme national security legislation, passed into law following the Cold War era were never truly surpassed. Within 10 years of the Berlin Wall came 9/11 and a new era of keeping secrets for valid, justifiable reasons. We went from one fear based state to the next and the need for a ‘Deep State’ to operate and protect us, keeping us from perishing in the atomic fallout of World War Three. Our defence technologies were required to be ahead of foreign enemies with aspirations for superpower dominance and militarised superiority. It was a case of a ‘no questions asked Patriot Act’ scenario over the democratic reasoning and self-governance. These are highly debatable concepts with a democratic society with a balance struck between the need for exercising free will, and the need to be kept safe. Essentially, it becomes a question of absolute power without oversight and national security. What monsters does this create? Historically, you might argue a monster which hid away the fact that humans are not alone in this universe.

For a few weeks we had been given the heads up about an upcoming event which would feature a conversation about the June 2021 UAP report. The ‘*Our Future in Space’* was a forum that was held in Washington National Cathedral, a rather large and beautiful Neo-Gothic design based upon England’s Gothic churches and cathedrals of the fourteenth century. A strange and yet somehow ironically suitable place to hold talks about human technology and the possibilities of things that might come ‘extra-terrestrially’ to us. A phrase which will live long in the memory of UAP researchers and activists. Avril Haines, the current acting Director of National Intelligence (DNI) spoke about the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) report and how anything that might come *"extra-terrestrially"* would be something for Bill Nelson and NASA to investigate. She was speaking to Washington Post correspondence David Ignatius within the forum that Wednesday night. We knew the prestigious talk would bring *something* of interest, but we did not envision it would bring such a statement from the acting Defense Intelligence Director. Annoyingly, she did mess up our soundbite. How hard is it to say the word ‘extra-terrestrial’?

Despite the minor flaw that we can forgive her for, Haines spoke professionally and in the form of a stateswoman, answering questions about the UAP Task Force and its report which was released via her own office. As stated, Haines inferred that any future civilian efforts, potentially looking to Bill Nelson and NASA, might engage the wider question of UAP origin -

which is exactly what would happen.

Haines has also been vocal about the dangers of over-classification of information and would be quoted by CNN (11) when suggesting that blocking the intelligence community's ability to share information erodes public trust and confidence in government. Whether she was referring specifically to UAP is unknown, however we might applaud her for this approach. As we discussed in an early chapter, the dangers involving the over-classification of issues create a barrier between the public sphere and government which arguably will lead back to the steps of Congress and an eventual insurrection. The American people know that the anomalous phenomena exist, they might not know what it is, or where it is from, but one thing they agree on is that they are being lied to. This causes incredible frustration within the system and inevitably leads to the benefit of Mother Russia and other foreign adversaries. The way forward is to open up the books on UFOs, acknowledge the phenomena and apply pressure on other nations who are also holding back their people from knowing this is real.

WEDNESDAY

17th of November, 2021
'X-Files.'

Politically, I always positioned myself just to the left of centre with some right leaning policies and once even aspired to British Labour leader Jeremy Corbin's ideology that multi-billion corporations should pay appropriate taxes within the United Kingdom (U.K). Hypothetically, a cap on extreme capitalism should be in place to ensure that 1% of the world's population shouldn't own as much wealth as the remaining 99%. I am all for national security and protecting the people of the U.K. but maybe also, there is a socialist in me, and an admiration for a governing system that benefits all within multi-national Britain. The reason I mention this is that my ideology has changed when the prospect of UAP is involved. For four years I've advised our extended activist team to put politics aside when it comes to UAP, and now I was faced with doing just that myself. The Sun newspaper is traditionally 'right-wing' in the U.K., maybe a little too 'right-wing' for my own comfort, but when Dan from UAPMediaUK messaged and asked for a quote on the upcoming UAP office in Congress, I really had to put any politics to one side (12).

"Adam Goldsack, from UAP Media UK, said: "This historic vote represents a dramatic change in how the U.S. executive and legislative branch is now approaching the difficult concept of UAP. With DNI, NASA, and both Republicans and Democrats reaching across the aisle to support the bill, it is becoming increasingly likely that open transparency will present the public with some very interesting findings over the next few years."

- Adam Goldsack via Henry Holloway, The-Sun (2021).

Never would I have envisaged being quoted for The Sun newspaper about UFOs, but here we are. A very strange and obscure landmark for me personally, but if it helps in any small way with the UAP initiative then I would be happy to engage.

SUNDAY

19th of November, 2021

'Opening up.'

Late that Sunday night, a tweet came from an acting Senator about the importance of UAP and taking the issue seriously (13). This wasn't a retired Senator or Congressman who was sitting on a mock panel listening to Linda Moulten Howe talk about cattle mutilations, no, this was a person in a position of power, a currently active Senator who demanded scientific inquiry be engaged by the government on a serious issue.

'Burying our heads in the sand is neither a strategy nor an acceptable approach. That's why I've introduced a bipartisan proposal to provide oversight and accountability over reports of unidentified aerial phenomena'.

- Senator Kristen Gillibrand, Twitter (2021).

This was unprecedented. Instantly, our aim as activists was to ensure that the tweet was met positively. We used multiple accounts to push up the numbers, to increase positive comments that appraised the Senator and drowned out those who tried to mock her. It was important that we dictated the tone and showed the world that this is an important issue, and also that Senators will be supported for speaking up. After all, this was always my goal for the #UFOTwitter platform, to house the UAP initiative and allow high ranking people to come forward. The Gillibrand Amendment was the first piece of Congressional legislation that actively forces DoD to report on the anomalous

phenomena. As Bryan Bender reported on the words of the Senator for New York, *"this is urgent"* (14).

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Conclusions

Having high ranking people of interest from NASA and the intelligence world speak openly about the possibilities of other worldly entities engaging us is profound. In the absence of any real data – clear photos, videos, radar returns – we are left at the mercy of those in charge who have seen the raw data. For us activists, we had to rely on whatever we had available to engage the public. As stated already, the process was to promote UAP to the mainstream in a way which reframed Ufology into something more credible, something scientific. This included building a universally accessed platform in which Senators could be praised for speaking up about UAP rather than be attacked and discredited by unwitting journalists with political agendas. It was one of the reasons why the UAP issue needed to be bi-partisan, doing so focused attention on the issue rather than politics. To promote a serious tone with regard to UAP, the effort to genuinely examine whether something was engaging us here on Earth comes *"extra-terrestrially"* needed to pushed by both NASA and the military. This is a process of transparency, and seemingly was being treated as such. After all, this could have very easily been done behind closed doors and under strict classification - but it wasn't.

The search for quote-on-quote '*extra-terrestrials*' was very real and taken very seriously.

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Chapter Twenty: The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence's (OUSDI) obfuscation

Leaks happen when frustration is compiled into the system. In 2017, the three Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) videos ‘GIMBAL’, ‘GOFAST,’ and ‘FLIR1’ came due to the system not being able to take appropriate steps to correct the dysfunction around Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). For example, Luis Elizondo, the then director of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) was unable to be officially allowed to brief the Secretary of Defense James Mattis. The indirect result was the AATIP disclosures and associated leaks within the mainstream media. Following Pentagon obfuscation efforts to denounce AATIP, data was anonymously leaked to George Knapp, Jeremy Corbell, Tim McMillan and others. This famously included the Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS) 10-month report which contradicted the Pentagon’s official position on the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP). BAASS, AAWSAP and AATIP, as we all know now, were all associated programs that were involved heavily with Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). Information about *transmedium vehicles* came via leaks to ‘The Debrief’ in December 2020 and for the first time we saw the use of future Congressional language.

Most famously, George Knapp and Jeremy Corbell leaked UAP data about the West Coast 2019 incursions – which had been framed as ‘drones’ by some Pentagon interests and social media debunkers who were desperate to disbelieve in 'aliens' (even though no one said aliens). The point is that UAP leaks happen when the truth is hidden and obfuscated from the public. The running battle for UAP information between the years 2017 and 2022 was nothing new to Ufology, however, long had it been theorised that *some* in government knew more about UFOs than was officially known. The Pentagon is said by some analysts to be hiding certain truths about the anomalous phenomena - but never in a way which can be proven, in fact much of the issue is that no-one knows who knows what.

Historically, the claims about the United States Government (USG) hiding ‘Flying Saucers’ and alien bodies stem from witness testimony and

vague documentation which could never be verified to the satisfaction of mainstream science. Such claims have always been considered to be either disinformation, misinformation or an irrational conspiracy, something ridiculous and without merit. The logical consideration of this assessment would be the correct one, that most of what has been claimed is bogus. The problem comes when there might be a small element of truth to some of the claims made over the last seventy years. For example, there have been objects or devices which did crash following the nuclear (EMP) destinations that started in 1945 of New Mexico (Trinity case) and potentially there were recovered bodies that were hidden away in unacknowledged special access programs within defense contractors. Something that simply cannot be proven, verified or accepted as real. As we have always stated, the USG is not a monolith in which all working parts know what other parts are doing, quite the opposite in fact. Heavily compartmentalisation has ensured 'stove-piping' has occurred and prevented oversight into the UAP issue. Always assume incompetence/negligence over conspiracy to use the Ross Coulthart school of thought.

One might argue that once any modern day inter-agency decides to obfuscate truth about UAP they also inherit seventy years worth of conspiracies (irrelevantly true or not). When the emails of Luis Elizondo were deleted after he resigned in 2017 and spokesperson Gough *et al* claimed that AATIP wasn't a UAP program, they essentially inherited the entire Ufology conspiracy as their own. And now the harness the blame onto themselves.

As activists we used this to our advantage and gathered support for Elizondo and Mellon from within Ufology - who had dis-trusted the initiative up to that time in 2019. The point here is that any attempt to distract, obfuscate and provide misinformation on UAP only strengthened the resolve of #UFOTwitter to mobilise and contact mainstream media and Congress. Which is arguably what happened from 2017-2022. As it would turn out, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) was the same oversight department which it was thought to be associated with some of the 'UAP-Obfuscator' individuals - who it is believed deleted Elizondo's emails and actively tried to erase his history (although this has never been confirmed). Point of note, OUSDI has oversight over the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), the National Security

Agency (NSA), and also the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA). Interestingly, it would be Elizondo's former oversight department, the OUSDI, that would make steps to pre-emptively *act* upon the Congressional UAP requests. Additionally, we should also remember that the United States Airforce (USAF) had made little attempt to provide the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) and Congress with their data.

We were concerned.

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WEDNESDAY

23rd of November, 2021

'Accountability.'

Nothing is ever straight forward in the world of UAP. You can guarantee that every-time something good happens there is pushback and an attempt to strip it away. Anytime someone steps forward with information about UAP, someone else steps up to take it down. 90% of the time it is jealous Ufologists with a narcissistic complex, 9% is the debunkers who try to dismiss it all, and then 1% of the time there is an insidious agenda by people who are neither Ufologists, nor debunkers.

They are something else entirely, they are people with another agenda.

Further pushback of UAP

Remembering back, it was around eight in the morning as I sat in my car outside of Teesside University. My phone buzzed to alert me of the news that the OUSDI had established a '*group*' (not an office as requested by Congress) that was to investigate 'incursions by *airborne* objects' into sensitive airspace. When initially asked my opinion, I had to be sceptical of this new group's focus and of their intentions, and most importantly…*of their timing and intentions*. The UAP report was published in June, almost six months prior, and only now were they acting, only now after the Gillibrand amendment had been proposed. Additionally, it seemed that the same

Department of Defense (DoD), who had whispered into the ears of New York Times journalists in June (prior to the release of the UAPTF report) had also taken steps to establish the intentionally unpronounceable ‘AIOMSG’ (Airbourne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group). The new 'group' was pushed out to various major news outlets in the U.K. and U.S. who gleefully reported without mention of the Gillibrand amendment or to question as to *why* the OUSDI had left out much of the amendment proposals. There was some debate as to the true nature of the amendment across the community and whether OUSDI had any intention on following through.

Speaking to various people sympathetic to the UAP initiative within DoD and in the mainstream media gave me the impression that this was a direct attempt to control the narrative from within, to stop any flow of unclassified information reaching the public. If they were genuine about creating a program to seriously investigate, DoD and OUSDI wouldn’t have waited for months and months, only to half-heartedly act when Congress put the requirement into proposed legislation.

After the Airforce withheld UAP data from the UAPTF that previous summer, it was no wonder we were sceptical of any transparency efforts. Seemingly, this was another hit job in a long line of hit jobs, and most probably from the same people who wanted to shut down the conversation. '*Eat, sleep, rave, repeat'* - the same routine since the 1940s. Different people, same ideology.

A few good men

As I was on campus that day, it was difficult to really get into it my studies knowing the significance of what was unfolding, we knew we had to wait to see which direction to take. And later that evening, as I tried to understand the human femur in Anatomy class, we had our suspicions confirmed by those close to the UAP initiative. This Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG) announcement wasn’t an effort that cared about UAP transparency. Not even close. It was an attempt to shut up Congress with a public relations stunt. Consider that the Gillibrand amendment was merely a proposal at this point, and by no means set as law. Also, it was a long way from what the Pentagon had weakly proposed that morning.

Journalist Bryan Bender tweeted about the Gillibrand amendment that day and how the legislation *would* uphold transparency efforts despite the shenanigans at the Pentagon. Bender was the POLITICO journalist who broke the AATIP story in 2017, the person who wrote multiple articles that pushed the issue forward (1) (2). He was also the journalist who blocked my alias 'Andreas' account on Twitter for reasons unknown (possibly because I wrote an article referring to him as the darling of Ufology). Anyways, I shouldn't complain, Mr. Bender has many important contacts in Congress and has pushed this issue further than most journalists. He tweeted that Wednesday how he had spoke to Congressman Ruben Gallego (@RubenGallego) about the creation of a new Pentagon office to study UAP. To quote the tweet:

'He said he spoke to @SenGillibrand this morning about their proposals in the House and Senate versions of the National Defense Authorization Act and they agreed to work together to get some form of their legislation into the final bill in December. He highlighted that her amendment has more teeth — including when it comes to access to resources to do the job - and he supports that.'

- Bryan Bender, Twitter (2021).

Congressman Ruben Gallego clearly unimpressed by the AOIMSG effort/reaction to Congress and advocated that Gillibrand's amendment had '*more teeth'*, which it very clearly did. How much of this was deliberate was unknown to us at that time, but both Mellon and Elizondo were not happy with the leadership behind the UAP effort at OUSDI (3). Particularly, they were not happy with a group of people who had a history of UAP obfuscation. Seemingly, the effort to reveal the truth about the anomalous phenomena was being set up to fail by those obfuscators within the DoD and needed a strong response to counter them.

Without the teeth of Congress in those days, the UAP initiative would have surely failed.

THURSDAY

24th of November, 2021

'*Obfuscation'*.

Waking up to the news that the DoD had established a 'UFO' program should have been an historic moment for us in the UAP research and activism community. However, it wasn't. The moment we laid eyes upon the new OUSDI acronym 'AOIMSG' - which was intended to eventually replace the UAP Task Force - we knew instantly something wasn't right. The '*Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group'* was quite different from the proposed Gillibrand amendment of 'Anomaly Surveillance, Tracking and Resolution Office' (ASTRO) that requested an office rather than a '*group'*. The 'Anomalies' term (and concept) was replaced with 'Airborne' in an attempt to pull away from any indication of something unusual. Additionally, the long winded and unpronounceable *AOIMSG* was much less user friendly than the sexier ASTRO term. The most alarming part was that this new 'group' was to be downplayed, and it was done with cunning intent. Needless to say, it was disheartening. As Congressman Tim Burchett would go on to say in a House session, someone had probably been paid a lot of money to come up with AOIMSG. And who can blame him for saying such things. Even more interesting was when he called the preliminary UAP Report a "*cover-up"* (4). Let's be honest here, there has been a cover-up of UAP information by some UAP-Obfuscators within the DoD. Arguably, it is a cover-up which is both historical and modern. Intentions behind the motivations are almost irrelevant because we are still left with the same result: the true nature of the anomalous phenomena has been held back from the American people through extreme classification. In a nutshell, UFOs were hidden from the government, by the government.

AOIMSG and the psychological use of words

The '*An Organization Intended to Mainly Stop Gillibrand'* or 'AOIMSG' is one of those acronyms so ridiculous you must believe it was done with intent: which it was. I created it just now to emphasis a point. No competent person working within the highest levels of government would ever consider such a terribly phrased term and acronym a functional effort. Obviously, *AOIMSG* does unfortunately exist but as something equally annoying. The AOIMSG is a term used to front the most important piece of UAP legislation ever drafted + enforced and yet no one could say it. And yet it has a name so insanely ridiculous that whoever drafted it knew exactly that it would divert attention away from interested media and government agencies.

In the UAP research and activism community, we all were excited for the Anomaly Surveillance, Tracking, and Resolution Office (ASTRO) which

was updated from the original Anomaly Surveillance and Resolution Office (ASRO). ASTRO, however, was the final Congressional proposal version – complete with lovely subconscious context that associates the image of ‘space’ + ‘anomaly’ + ‘office’.

With a background in psychology, I have a slight understanding of how the psychological use of words can instil images in people minds without them even knowing. There is a huge market for advertising and subliminal messaging, with extensive research showing the importance of how words are used to get a message across. If we breakdown ‘AOIMSG’ we can see the main message is that it is 'unappealing' and 'dull' - it is telling you this is a mundane, everyday, generic concept that is not world changing. Your mind tells you this concept is no different than some meaningless paper company in Scranton and certainly not the most important program/office ever to be established – which is what it would be if it was designed to investigate ‘non-human’ intelligences.

Another point is that it is completely unpronounceable. While ASTRO is media friendly, trendy, and cool – AOIMSG is word diarrhoea that purposely cannot be used in conversation. The idea after all, is UAP Obfuscators in DoD wanted to stop people talking about the anomalous phenomena and to stop support for Congress by maintaining the stigma around UAP. Consider that you can’t reduce stigma if you can’t even talk about an official government program designed to investigate the phenomena. Therefore, it becomes very clear that there was intention behind AOIMSG – intention to obfuscate data from the public.

We needed to respond and respond effectively.

FRIDAY

25th of November, 2021

‘*Hearings*.’

The introduction of the proposed Pentagon UFO *group* had angered many within the UAP research community. Many couldn’t understand our frustration. To them we had got what we wanted, but the truth is that we hadn’t. Instead of a genuine desire to solve the UAP mystery we had received a watered-down substitute that promised nothing of accountability or transparency. It was becoming ever clearer that these people would never openly give up whatever it was they were sitting on. Maybe that meant

something truly exceptional?

Increasingly, it seemed that the only way forward was with Congressional hearings. Congressional hearings into ‘unidentified *anomalous* phenomena’ (UAP) is a term that those within the Pentagon simply did not want to happen. After all, hearings would prove to be an extremely difficult and messy debate, spanning over the next few years they would air out dirty laundry. Arguably, hearings would show that there has been a critical failure in how the system has reacted to UAP, whatever UAP really are. During 2021, Congressional representatives such as André Carson have been particularly vocal and taken to the media to request hearings (5). It was going to happen. Congressional hearings on ‘UFOs’ would be taken to the hill for the first time in over 50 years.

But would it be different this time?

Undeniably, yes. The wealth of military testimony with verified sensory array data, radar data, gun-camera footage is far more compelling than anything that has come before. It was the *'reporting UAP'* legislation that was created in 2019 which allowed for military/Navy personnel to come forward without reprisal, and that is what they have done. They spoke to Congress, and it was significant. The data was there, it was in the hands of Congress and the oversight committees – but what that data meant for us as humans remains to be seen. Now it is now established that there is something to this phenomenon and that is the start of it. This is essentially the difference between the hearings of 1966 and now - genuine momentum.

What might be involved in such hearings? And when will they happen?

There will be a lot of uncertainty and difficult questions which may not have immediate answers. Possibly, the complexity of the anomalous phenomena means that we may not know the answers for a very long time. Congressional oversight will be paramount to ensuring UAP are taken seriously and that will allow for the process of understanding to accelerate. One of the main questions will be of accountability, aka, will Congressional hearings face up to the concept of cynically intentional disinformation and obfuscation, both historical and present day? Rumours from behind the scenes tell us, yes. Congress want some accountability for the lies and obfuscation. The Department of Defense (DoD) Inspector General investigation is still ongoing

and apparently covers a wide range of issues from the mishandling of the AATIP to the position of Luis Elizondo and how the former director's emails were deleted by someone within the DoD (possibly OUSDI). Then we also have the potential issue of historical oversight into UAP - or lack there of. There will be a time in the not-so-distant future, when transparency efforts will shine a light on all the dark corners of how the United States Government has (mis)handled the UAP issue. The IG investigation will no doubt be classified under national security interests, but equally there is a possibility that some data will be made unclassified. My own assumption is that we may find more open data is provided to the public on the manipulated AATIP disinformation campaign. Also, we might get to know about the 'special access programs' that which may have been without Congressional oversight. But not for a long time.

The legal and national security ramifications would be astronomical, you might understand to a certain extent why certain elements of any such investigation would be held back. But again, the problem remains that we don't have enough data to move forward on this and force the issue (currently). At least, not without data, not without transparency.

We are also faced with another problem, that of accountability vs. amnesty. How can we be sure that any laws even have been broken with regard to hiding anomalous data? Additionally, how can we be sure that any government secrecy on UAP isn't just highly classified? From an analyst perspective we can never be sure, we simply do not have anything close to thorough data which can be confidently concluded upon.

Historically, there have been unverified conspiracies about how some special access programs (SAP) have used certain defense contractors to hide away world-changing truths about the anomalous phenomena. The stories of recovered crashed discs and alien bodies might be buried so deeply that it would take an act of God to expose that side of the issue - if indeed there is any truth to it. Some UAP analyst have suggested that this radical UAP technology is the new arms race, more rewarding than nuclear weaponry and which ever nation develops it first will rule the world. Imagine North Korea or China having hypersonic dead-stop technology that could deliver a nuke to New York or London in seconds, that would be game changing. The ultimate card in any war.

Others have suggested that the exposure of this unwanted reality, and the government's attempt to keep it secret, would irreparably damage

national security and I personally would agree with that statement (to an extent). The cost of this issue comes with a burden that requires strategy to ensure safe passage. It requires a mass indoctrination program to help people understand.

When open UAP Congressional hearings occur over the coming few years - *as UAPMediaUK understand to be sooner rather than later* - it will be arguably based on what the mainstream understands right now about UAP. It will be on data which is openly available and certainly not classified.

The deep Ufology dive into crashed saucers and alien bodies might not come in the first hearing. Possibly, the initial focus will be on Congressional oversight or the lighter negligence and obfuscation issues that have plagued unclassified UAP data – AAWSAP - AATIP – UAPTF – and other efforts that might have been shut down by certain individuals in certain areas within DoD.

Additionally, we could expect further questions will be asked about any possible surveillance/hostility intent of these UAP transmedium devices and objects. Maybe the origins and/or the behavioural search patterns displayed.

Then there is the difficult question about the potential for enemy nations to have already obtained and applied this technology – if they already haven't.

How can Congressional oversight committees defend against something they were never told existed?

There are many questions to ask and seven decade's worth of problems to unpick, so how do Congress even start to work this problem?

Breaking a monster

Over the past few weeks, certain DoD people have been named on the internet via multiple sources that included the book '*Skinwalkers at the Pentagon'* (6). Garry Reid (OUSDI), Kate Borowic (DIA) and Marcel Lettre (OUSDI) are also rumoured to have played some part in recent UAP issues, however it must be made very clear that there is nothing to suggest any wrongdoing by any of these individuals. We simply do not know any roles, positions, or motivations. Equally, we need to be careful as we do not know the full role of Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough - long rumoured by Ufology to have been active in various 'anti-transparency UAP campaigns'

beyond her role as a Pentagon spokesperson. Again, this is unverified. We must assume she was just 'following orders'.

The Inspector General's investigation is the final word on any UAP determination at this point and we must trust and respect that the internal legal system is competent in their approach to such sensitive issues.

Having said that, we must consider the frustrations and temperament of a world who fully understand the implications of any individual who has illegally interfered with unclassified UAP information or any program which investigated UAP. Should it be hypothetically found that a group of individuals from the rumoured OUSDI (and/or other places) conspired to delete AATIP/Elizondo emails to manipulate the media and Congress (7) (8), then they must face accountability for any hypothetically criminal actions. However, again, we need to be very careful about concluding on limited data. We don't know if any individuals from any specific agency were even involved or committed any illegal act. We do not know the names of the UAP-Obfuscators - only that they exist.

One thing we do know, is that UAP will prove to be the biggest issue in history once the full truth is known and the implications are fully realised. Those who criminally obfuscate the anomalous will face legal charges, professional gross negligence issues, and also, credibility issues with smearing their own legacy. History always tells us that it loves a monster, and this UAP issue is the issue for providing that monster. A person's legacy is after all, what remains of them in the years after their service is finally complete. It is never too late to do the right thing, no matter how difficult it may seem at the time. Let's hope people choice to be a hero, not a monster.

SATURDAY

27th of November, 2021

'Storm Arwen.'

A chaotic storm had raged that night. Possibly one of the worst to hit the U.K. in a very long while. From outside of our bedroom window the violent sound of fences falling and tree branches crashing onto cars could be heard as we struggled to sleep. Storm Arwen was a cold, icy explosion of winter as it hit the U.K. with 100mp winds. There was change in the temperature pressure. The storm, as chaotic as it might seem at the time, is simply a mechanism for extreme change through unrelenting force. And

sometimes a storm is needed to allow us to start over and rebuild. Maybe we need a storm to rip up the secrecy, leaving nothing but clear skies behind? A new beginning, a clean slate, a paradigm devoid of self-entitled political, religious and ideological fetish?

Often, I would wonder about the disclosure of such sensitive UAP data, like if a genuine UFO video that showed a flying ‘disc’ or ‘pyramid’ and was verified by the DoD. What might happen over a short period? How might the world react to such chaotic information? We would all become 'believers' overnight.

Would ‘*event disclosure’* destroy our global infrastructure? Or would we a species adapt and rebuild? Surely, we must consider the effects and consequences of event disclosure, given that 'process disclosure' will take us so far and then at some point critical mass will occur. Eventually, some piece of UAP information or some Congressional forum will allow that to occur, eventually. And when it does, can it be considered akin to a heavy storm, or some light rain that we don’t even know is happening?One thing was for certain...we simply didn’t know what would happen. But maybe we should prepare for the worst.

MONDAY

29th of November, 2021
‘Tritten vs. Kirby.’

We knew that the OUSDI wouldn’t simply step to one side and give UAP to the people, at least not without a fight, and not with certain employees in position. This, after all, was their deceit, their evil and their monster. Since at least 1947 the military of the United States government had official oversight of this issue, primarily because they had the sophisticated identification technology that the civilian world doesn’t have. They have been tracking the anomalous phenomena on satellites (9) (10), their fighter pilots had gun camera footage that was close, showing various bizarre shapes craft that displayed radical movements. The entire face of the Pentagon/Gough era public relations effort was to acknowledge UAP, but only as balloons, drones, and other things which the anomalous are not. They had zero intention of admitting to non-human technology or intelligences and had orchestrated and entire effort around holding back everything. The public couldn’t know. The Congress couldn’t know - *but they did know*. That was

the game and that's the rules by which they played. The rules by which we played. To unravel the existence of the anomalous phenomena and their technology would also unravel the 'cover-up' and as some had argued, the *less-than-legal-non-oversight* part which included the defense issues and developed secret technologies. Any potential hiding of such significantly revolutionary findings, that arguably belong to the world, would inevitably change the world. We can't verify how much of this is true, but we can only evaluate the actions of those opposed to UAP transparency. And whilst we may hesitate to claim we know the full picture, we cannot discount how far people will go to protect themselves, their life's work and what they see as national security. So, we can consider there are many reasons why this group of extremists within DoD lied to the American people. We can understand these people are human, they make mistakes, whether they accept this as such is another issue entirely.

Late Monday afternoon here in the U.K. and Travis J. Tritten, of Military.com posed the question to a very uncomfortable looking Pentagon spokesperson John Kirby, who stated:

"There'll be national security considerations we have to keep in mind...I don't want to leave you with the impression that there'll be sort of a [report]... every couple months."

- John Kirby, (2021).

Essentially, Pentagon spokesperson Kirby stated what Elizondo and Mellon had confirmed to us already, that AOIMSG wouldn't be sharing information with Congress, which was directly the opposite of what the Gillibrand amendment was proposing. It seemed from the outskirts that AOIMSG was a whitewash in the making. Tritten knew it, and decided to push the issue. A clear sign that this once joke-like topic was becoming difficult to dismiss.

Later that night as we in the UK slept, the critical NDAA vote failed to pass. The Senate voted 45-51 to start winding down debate on the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which sets spending levels and policy for the Pentagon. The bill was short 60 votes which was needed to overcome the hurdle and get the Gillibrand Amendment into law.

Senate Armed Services Committee member, Senator Jack Reed (D-R.I.), had argued that the process of putting together the NDAA had been bipartisan in approach. He stated that *"the NDAA would get done"* and that Senator Inhofe was committed to the process (11).

WEDNESDAY

01st of December, 2021

'Brass Balls.'

On December 1st, 2021, Congressman Tim Burchett, a Republican who is the U.S. representative for Tennessee's 2nd congressional district, spoke in front of the House about the upcoming why he doesn't trust the Pentagon with UAP. This was historical. The first time we openly see a member of Congress speak about the mishandling of the UAP issue whilst in the house of representatives.

"Last summer's UFO report raised more questions than answers and stunk of a government cover-up. The Pentagon's new office to collect information about UFOs cannot follow this pattern of secrecy. It needs to be transparent about its findings. Our country can handle the truth".

- Rep. Tim Burchett, (2021).

Despite the concerns, Ed Randall, a long supporter of government transparency and activist, messaged me to say how delighted he was that we had real progress.

'*Mate, I never thought I'd see the day... All those years... all those books and documentaries... all those fuzzy YouTube videos... All those condescending glances and dismissive remarks.... I honestly thought I'd never live to see the day that we learned the truth. Tbh we may not even know the truth! But this... This is our Cup final.*

- Ed Randall (UAP Activist), Twitter, (2022)

THURSDAY

02nd of December, 2021

'Pour, Salute, Drink, Win.'

Ryan Robbins - also known as *UFOJesus* - of the Post Disclosure World videos had pushed the conversation forward across #UFOTwitter in those years and is considered a rational mind when it comes to UAP. He saluted the community with a rather large glass of red wine and took solace in the fact that the tide was at last turning. He knew that those in Congress

held the cards that mattered. We knew it then, that formal legislation meant movement and that meant transparency. However, at the same time we knew the war for disclosure was still raging.

Paul D. Shinkman, a national security correspondent for US News, tweeted late Thursday about how '*officials and analysts are raising alarm about the DOD's new UFO office'*. Shinkman stated that there was concern about an end to the brief spell of transparency and that the military were sitting on government reports. As we would learn, members of Congress were also not happy with what was being proposed.

Senator Kristen Gillibrand, the driving force behind the amendment, became very vocal about upholding transparency of the issue. She would appear in national media and also take to twitter to support the UAP initiative.

"*While we appreciate the DOD attention to the issue, AOIMSG doesn't go nearly far enough to help us better understand the data we are gathering on UAPs...."*

- Kristen Gillibrand, Twitter, (2021).

At the time we didn't appreciate the levels of obfuscation that were occurring across DoD. The poorly staffed task force had only two members, was underfunded, and was refused data from the Airforce (and other agencies). Even as Congress was passing legislation and demanding a serious investigation was upheld by the higher echelons of the United States military, the pushback was still occurring. The AOIMSG was set up to fail from the beginning. The DoD-UAP-Obfuscators wanted to kill the interest and they would do whatever it took, even ignore the law and the will of Congress.

MONDAY

06th of December, 2021
'Compromise.'

Word came through that the NDAA bill had stalled. My heart sank slightly in that moment but then we had to expect this from an NDAA which contained the most UAP heavy legislation in history (12). The dreaded word of *'compromise'* was a word mentioned in the united team group that evening – meaning that the Gillibrand amendment might show we didn't get

everything within the original proposal. We might even get nothing and be thankful for the pleasure, at least that's how some in OUSDI wanted it. It wasn't easy to consider, but whatever the final decision was we would have to take on the chin and come back fighting. What we didn't know at the time was that AOIMSG was being led by Elizondo's former boss - the Director for Defense Intelligence (DDI) at the Office of the Under Secretary for Intelligence - Garry Reid. Reid and his deputy Tara Jones had been made the subject of claims from Elizondo. These were people who apparently had gone after Elizondo after he left OUSDI in 2017, and these were apparently the same people who also obfuscated the UAP initiative. Again, we don't have data to back up these claims.

But back in December 2021, we were unaware of what was happening behind the scenes. What we knew was that AOIMSG wasn't in the best hands and that efforts were in place to ensure the effort became muddied and fixed on space-junk, drones, and weather balloons. Open transparency for UAP would have to be talked through with whoever was wanting 'compromise' and we could only hope that most of the Gillibrand amendment was kept in place. What we needed above all was legislation that informed DoD to act upon legal mandate. And we needed a true definition for the anomalous phenomena which couldn't be diluted with anything mundane and terrestrial.

Whether we would get it remained to be seen.

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Conclusions

The history of Ufology has at its core a story about the United States intelligence/military/defense complex and their alleged agenda to hide/cover-up information about UFOs and extra-terrestrials. Conspiracies about under ground bunkers and secret alien meetings between Presidents are far-fetched. The very notion that any government would be able to hide such a massive secret is often questioned by rational sceptics. This is an understandable position, and much of the UFO issue is shrouded in absolute nonsense. The problem is that the '*baby gets thrown out with the bath water*' so the saying goes. The genuine issue of anomalous technology is overlooked because of the crazy stories about alien-babies in the tabloid press. Some sceptics latched

onto this and exaggerated the unbelievable parts of Ufology to be representative of the whole, thus dismissing the entire issue in total. However, we should also point to the fact the secrecy *has* been kept secret by some in government and ironically the secret was aided by those very sceptics through disbelief, ridicule and stigma. Ultimately however, it was people in government that created and maintained the secrecy around UAP/UFOs. The same policy towards UFOs has been repeated for 70 plus years and continued into the UAP Revolution years. If you wish to understand how and why the secrecy has been kept all this time, then look no further than the system that maintained it. Arguably, socio-geopolitical military influence and the financial banking system play a massive role, as does defense technology. But it is something else which is also on the remit we need to consider, something which is equal, if not more important. And that is the question of whether we as a species are alone on Earth and what that mean for our religious ideologies. And most importantly - what would that mean for our collective belief in God?

Whilst religious beliefs here in the United Kingdom have declined sharply in the past 50 years, the United States is still a very religious country. A predominantly Christian country. For some in positions of power within America's hierarchy, the ideology of 'aliens' (that are more advanced life forms) may pose a threat to religious dogma. What if they land and say God isn't real? What if they have never heard of God? What if they say God and Heaven are man-made concepts? What if they say that they themselves *are* God?

From a psychologist's perspective, we might argue that these above questions have been asked subconsciously already by humans dealing with the issue in government. What if the fear of the anomalous and what UAP might mean for humans has influenced Christians within government? We might also argue that any decisions made (or not made) by Presidents, Chiefs of Staff, Directors of intelligence agencies etc, may have been influenced by the above subconscious questions. Maybe, *just maybe*, it is why some people in society shut down and struggle to psychologically deal with this issue. Maybe it was why some Presidents run from the question.

Are we really ready to learn that God isn't real?

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Chapter Twenty-One: United States Senators on record and the Gillibrand Amendment

The history of United States Congressional representatives and Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) isn't one that is filled with accountability or open oversight, quite the opposite. When the United States Airforce (USAF) cancelled Project Bluebook on the recommendation of the Condon Report in 1969, the public interest in UFOs died with it. Arguably, when there is no public interest there is no motivation for Congress to act. Also, when the Condon report (falsely) declared '*nothing to see here'*, it all but confirmed the position – that UFOs were dead and buried, exiled to the depths of highly classified programs and the imagination of kooks and crazy people. But what was the truth? The rumour goes that from 1969 onwards there was a strategy to study the anomalous phenomena in secrecy – although this has never been admitted to. At some point in those years UFOs went completely black, taken from Congressional oversight and placed into the hands of American defense contractors. Any Congressional representative or military person wanting to find out the truth would be stonewalled, redirected to the national archives and sent chasing their tail.

Without access they had nothing. No proof, no data and only their careers to worry about. Analysts predicted that this was the true nature of the secrecy, a hidden bureaucracy of people trying to manage the biggest classified issue in the history of humanity. A delicate secrecy that was protected by psychological stigma and denial. One might forgive government officials under such circumstances; they were just as much a victim of the secrecy as those they represented. The only way this issue would be revealed was if the anomalous phenomena landed in an open, crowded place, and allowed people to record them or if some data was leaked from within the system. Which as you probably know already, is highly unlikely, and certainly not in *their* nature.

Spending most of my last book discussing the intentions of the anomalous, one thing came to light as I researched - the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) won't (or can't) make themselves openly known to humans. So that left one other option for disclosure, that some data

would come from within. And that is exactly what happened, data was given directly to congress by a small defiant group within the Department of Defense (DoD). This allowed Congress to see the videos and listen to the testimony of Navy Pilots. At long last, and for the first time since 1969 did representatives have something to act upon. Congressional representatives wouldn't risk their careers and be labelled as crazy conspiracy theorists over drones and balloons, nor are they stupid enough to be tricked in some disinformation campaign. They, like you and me, want to know who these objects belong to and what their intentions are, thus the importance of openly acknowledging the anomalous phenomena is paramount.

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MONDAY

06th of December, 2021

'Somebody should do something.'

That grey overcast Monday afternoon, I sat and complied the statements made by Congressional representatives over the past four years. These are the people who have the power to change things, the power to force action and who control the military spending. Without their innovation and bravery, the UAP initiative would go the path of every other historical attempt to get the world to recognise the anomalous - without them it would fail. Whilst there have been many Congressmen and Senators on record, these listed people below were the first to openly have the conversation.

They are heroes.

Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.), Democrat. Ranking minority member (ranking Democrat) on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, speaking to reporters after a classified briefing on UAP/UFOs: *"One of the key takeaways I have is the military and others are taking this issue seriously, which I think in previous generations may not have been the case."* (20/06/19)

sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fl.), Republican. Acting chair, Senate Intelligence committee: *"There are things flying over your military bases,*

and you don't know what they are… and they exhibit, potentially, technologies that you don't have at your own disposal — that to me is a national security risk, and one that we should be looking into." (18/07/2020)

Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-Nh.), Democrat, who sits on the Armed Services Committee: *"…we have been briefed, it was a classified briefing, so I'm not allowed to talk about it. But if you ask me personally, do I believe there are UFOs, I think there are events that have happened that haven't been explained adequately."*

Fmr. Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.), Democrat. Creator of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP): *"The American people deserve to be informed (about UFOs) …glad the pentagon is finally releasing the footage, but it only scratches the surface of research and materials available."* (2017)

Sen. Michael Bennet (D-Co.), Democrat, who sits on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI): *"Let me say it this way, I have to be extremely careful because I'm on the Intelligence Committee, so nothing I'm saying has anything to do with anything I've learnt on the Intelligence Committee. Our guys are seeing unidentified stuff and they don't know what it is, and I don't know what it is. I don't think they are saying it is necessary from outer space, but it is unexplained stuff that's off the southeast coast of the United States. We are trying to learn more about it and the airforce is trying to learn more about it."* (09/12/2019).

Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Mn), Democrat from Minnesota, who was running for the 2020 U.S. presidency: *"One of the things our President can do is to look into what's there, what does the science say, what does the military say, and here's the interesting part to that answer, a lot of this is really old, so why don't we let some of that out for the public."* (30/12/2019)

Thanks to the work of researcher Dean Johnson (1) (2) (3) (4) and other journalists (5) (6), we have video evidence across Twitter of the statements of each of the above Senators. Other Congressional representatives have come forward and spoke about UAP. For example, Sean Patrick Maloney - a Democratic congressperson from New York – stated that the Congress are taking the issue of UAP seriously and that ultimately, they *"want to know*

what we're dealing with." (7). There are many, many others who we will cover in later chapters.

TUESDAY

07th of December, 2021
'Somebody should do something.'

The most important moment in 70+ years of Ufology to date and I had food poisoning, it made what should have been a champagne popping moment into a reserved muted smile. Regardless, the big moment had happened as the Congress and the House of Representatives passed the NDAA bill ready for President Biden to sign into law. Since 2017, we had awaited this moment. The constant campaigning for the United States government to recognise and engage the issue had paid off. We were only a very small part of the equation, and we know that, but we also busted our arses to bring awareness to Congress and the mainstream. One person, standing alone against the secrecy cannot change the world, he needs the diverse support of his team.

#UFOTwitter was a great example of a famous Lily quote, "*I always wondered why somebody doesn't do something about that…then I realized I was somebody*." We can apply that to the monumental efforts of UAP activists. People who have been threatened, attacked, stigmatised, bullied and doxed for trying to force the government to act should now stand proud. These are people I respect the most, from the halls of Congress, to the decks of Navy vessels, to those willing to have the conversation openly.

We are all somebody on this journey, no matter how small.

THURSDAY

09th of December, 2021
'Hero.'

That first week in December had been building towards the possibility of legislation being passed in the Senate. The UAP amendment had been pushed by Gillibrand and Rubio, both frontline Senators who had become involved with pushing awareness of this UAP issue. They are both heroes, as

is anyone in government who has also pushed the issue forward and advocated for transparency, not secrecy. All of those who participated in the process are heroes to me. Everyone who has had the open conversation or emailed, wrote, or phoned their representatives about the anomalous is a hero. I don't use the term lightly, given that this issue was highly stigmatised to the point that it was considered an impediment to one's career to talk about UAP.

"It is my hope that the creation of a new joint Defense Department and Intelligence Community office focused on UAPs will provided the resources, analytics and attention needed to determine what is loitering around our military training ranges."

- Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), (2020).

The new UAP Office proposal was organised in a way which was data orientated. Whoever it was (Christopher Mellon *et al*) that worked with Congress to engage DoD to formulate an appropriate remit was thinking ahead. This was a serious effort and certainly not the *fringe* issue of the past. Nor was this mundane. The prospect of UAP was put forward by Senator Rubio's office as they listed the areas in which the UAP office would attend to. They are as follows:

1). Collection & Analysis of Data into a Central Repository: Essentially, the new office would ensure in-depth intelligence collection was undertaken alongside detailed analysis of UAP. This would go towards further understanding the technical and scientific properties of the anomalous technology. It was proposed that Intelligence Community agencies would be involved in briefing UAP data to Congress.

2). Establish a Science Plan: The new office is to strive to implement and test scientific theories regarding anomalous technology characteristics and its performances. It will also create a '*National Priorities Intelligence Framework'*. The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) – currently Avril Haines - will be required to liaise with the Secretary of Defense (SecDef) – currently Lloyd Austin – is to assign a level or priority within the National Intelligence Priorities Framework which is associated to UAPs.

3). Evaluate any links between UAPs and foreign governments or non-state actors: The new UAP office will be asked to evaluate whether

UAP constitute a serious threat to national security. Additionally, the office will be responsible for directly coordinating with various federal agencies, including that of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and specifically the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Also, it will liaise with international allies and partners on the anomalous technology.

4). Report to Congress: Most importantly of all, the UAP office will be required by law to provide unclassified annual reports to Congress and then classified semi-annual briefings on intelligence analysis. They must report incursions/incidents, also health-related effects and the significant role of foreign governments/agencies. Plus, any link to the nuclear security of the United States.

This amendment proposal was incredibly serious and although it wasn't signed into law yet by early December, it was demanding DoD provide answers. Answers which the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) sponsored Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG) had no interest in providing. The Gillibrand amendment was authored by the Democratic Senator from New York, it was also cosponsored in the Senate by Senators Rubio (R-FL), Graham (R-SC), Heinrich (D-NM), and Blunt (R-MO). It is probably one of the only issues ever to receive such unified Bi-Partisan support. The reason for that, is because these Senators have seen what we haven't, footage, testimony, and sensory array data of the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena. Trust me, once you know, and once you have seen, you can never go back.

They are now *believers.*

FRIDAY

10th of December, 2021
'Purple rain…. purple rain…'

Spending the cold December morning in the attic of my parent's three-story Victorian house, which overlooked the garden suburb of Middlesbrough, was enjoyed all the more whilst listening to 'Purple Rain.' Finding a horrendously coloured purple hoody helped with the cold winter air as I typed out a word document, I'm not sure how exactly, but it worked. Finally, I had finished drafting the UAPMediaUK template for the Ministry

of Defence (MOD). The final version would be used to engage Ministers of Parliament and the MOD, to try and pressure them into following suit with the American Congress. Taking an undeserved break, I unlocked the attic window and stood to look over the Linthorpe backdrop far below. This had been the same 90-degree window I would look out of as a child when something was on my mind. As a young adult I would smoke a sneaky cigarette from there as I viewed the Tees Valley after moving back home after university (the first time). So, maybe it was with a nice sense of cosmic fate that this was the place where my laptop showed me a significant Q&A Pentagon press briefing. It was the first of its type in history. It was the first time that UAP secrecy died in the open.

There was something very satisfying about watching determined journalist Travis Tritton turn the conversation upon Pentagon Press Secretary John Kirby that Friday. Instantly, my mind thought back to the press conference (24th of June, 1997) from when Colonel John Haynes laughed away claims of Roswell and crashed 'alien technology'. In those days the journalists sided with the Pentagon. Today however, is a different story. Today the UFO question is being asked, openly and seriously.

Haynes, *unlike Kirby*, dismissed the issue with ease and a collective coolness, aided by the social stigma surrounding UFOs and the consequential lack of real journalistic insight into the anomalous phenomena. Now, some 8'935 days later (or 24 years and 5 months, 16 days) the tone was very different, although the Pentagon's *undertone* was the same. The DoD for the very first time in its existence had to give serious open attention to the idea of UFOs being real.

Kirby, struggled to dismiss the phenomena and unlike his historical predecessor, he didn't have stigma or mainstream media ignorance on his side. Instead, he had a very aware Congress and very clued-up journalists subtly reminding him that '*legislation is on the way*' after Kirby tried to divert the conversation into generic mundane talk about a *group* rather than a more serious *office.* The game was most definitely over and as one high-ranking official told Bryan Bender, there is little room for any obfuscation.

The one thing that really caught my attention, and I confirmed this with a few informed people, was Kirby's statement in response to Tritton (Tritton would also retweeted my own tweet about just how uncomfortable Kirby became during that press conference).

Kirby stated that "…*they will be focusing on objects that have already*

been observed but not identified.' Possibly meaning that this wasn't about some random balloon or drone which drifts into sensitive military airspace. This is about anomalous vehicles of unknown origin. This was about tracking them, hunting them, and snaring them. This was about resolving them and resolving the issue, whether the Pentagon wanted to do so openly or not.

Senator Gillbrand, just to rub salt into the wounds, wrote out another tweet from her alternative account which only had 25k followers as opposed to 1.6 million from her main account. The tweet was profound (8).

'I'm proud that my amendment to establish a permanent office to investigate Unidentified Aerial Phenomena is in the NDAA. Burying our heads in the sand isn't an option. Studying UAPs is critical to keeping our strategic edge and keeping our nation safe.'

- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, (2021).

Every time Gillibrand posted a tweet on social media, our team was there to ensure it was met with positivity, drowning out the manufactured scepticism, the conspiracy lunatics and the various trolls. We made damn sure it got very high likes and retweets, comments and gifs of people applauding. Why is this important? Well, by creating a positive climate, it lets onlookers see that UAP is an important, real-world issue and one which high level government figures are taking seriously. We were told the Senator's team keeps an eye on responses, so therefore it was equally important to ensure her continued political engagement. Consequently, it was vital to create, promote and circulate high amounts of likes, retweets and positive comments. This action creates a platform for others to step forward and openly talk about the anomalous phenomena. One Senator becomes many.

Like we stated earlier, activism used strategy, and it was done very effectively from within Washington to social media.

THURSDAY

23rd of December

'Sceptic.'

As we mentioned earlier, the entire mantra of the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign was to create platforms that allowed the conversation to occur. This meant being able to change people's minds and behaviour using

psychological models of data distribution upon a mass scale. We didn't want people to believe in extra-terrestrials, we wanted people to believe in the scientific process. Trust us, that wasn't always easy to achieve, meaning the little victories we did receive were appreciated, valued and celebrated. Our work was often stifled by various obstacles, most of them manufactured by the obfuscation efforts of anti-disclosure ideologists. Some intentional, some not so intentional. A concept no more truer than when we consider that the anomalous phenomena research has been plagued with poorly applied scepticism - to the point that almost every single case report becomes a desperate debunking effort. Mainstream science has been no more helpful, primarily due to the stigma associated with 'UFOs' and 'aliens'. Over the past four years I have personally managed to get myself blocked on social media from a few highly respected scientists who are in the public eye and argued/debated with an awful lot more. Not that I was being *hostile*, but I was presenting data which was 'crazy' to them and done in a way which seemed rational – this causes cognitive dissonance within a person.

As stated already, our aim was never to have them accept that extra-terrestrials are here on Earth, far from it, our aim was to push them to apply the scientific process to a highly complex issue.

When respected scientist and UFO sceptic Eric Weinstein (9) used the hashtag #UFOTwitter for first time on his twitter account in order to link his talk, I felt like this was a mini-milestone. It was also kind of rewarding, given that it was our UAPinfo team created the hashtag in 2018 and helped develop the community for this very reason – to allow respectable people to have the UAP conversation. I try not to boast that it was actually myself who termed the modern day #UFOTwitter, adopting it from the Danny Silva term of #TwitterUFO. After all, what does it matter who started it? Or who changed it. The point is that it was effective and allowed the conversation to occur in a rational manner.

At least, that was the initial plan.

MONDAY

27th of December, 2021
'*The passing into law.'*

Monday was a new day. The first day of a new era and a milestone for Ufology. Red wine (the adopted token drink of disclosure) was opened as

celebrations sparked across #UFOTwitter. At last, at long last, word filtered though that President Biden had signed into law the NDAA that contained UAP legislation. The team had done it! The extended team in Washington D.C. and across #UFOTwitter, U.K. and U.S. united had got the United States Government to acknowledge anomalous phenomena and act upon it. Everything Lue and his team had sacrificed had just paid off. The team congratulated each other with the groups stating what a pleasure and honour it was to be working with us. He thanked us all for our tireless efforts, support and counsel, before the usual rallying war cries echoed out.

It was done, signed into law and for the first time ever the world had a real opportunity to rise to the challenge of uncovering and accepting the reality of the anomalous phenomena. True transparency was coming. I drank my wine and toasted one person's memory in particular - Jessie Marcel - the man whose eyes told an unbearable story as he was forced to lie about Roswell in 1947. Vindication was coming. The only thing which would stop this would be for DoD to ignore Congress and break the law, but surely even they wouldn't go that far?

Salute.

TUESDAY

28th of December, 2021
'The End.'

Almost twenty-four hours following President Biden's signature on the NDAA bill, came the tragic news. We had lost one of our own. News filtered through about the death of the former Senator and creator of the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP) + AATIP, after a long illness. The UAP initiative that was so heavily influenced by the creation of the Pentagon's UFO program was rocked by the death of a true patriot. This was a sad end to a successful process which wouldn't have happened without the courage and bravery of patriotic advocate of truth and transparency. None of this would have been possible without him.

We would personally like to thank Mr. Reid, his team and his family for the courageous actions he showed in the face of adversity. Harry Reid was the first Senator in the history of the United States who stood up to the irresponsible system of UAP secrecy and demanded a better way. He made a

bold statement that said this world can and will be better. Without his bravery and integrity, we might not have the UAP Revolution or the disclosures we see in Congress today. We need more people like him.

Rest in peace Senator Harry Reid, a man who changed the world.

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Conclusions

The signing of the NDAA authorised the first major step towards disclosure. It was the acknowledgment we all had worked for. The UAP Task Force had signalled to Congress via the Preliminary Report in June 2021 that there was something to the issue and needed further investigation. Congress responded and enforced the message to the Department of Defense. This was always a process, and one that started with Senator Harry Reid back in 2007. Without his creation of AAWSAP and AATIP there would be no UAP Task Force (UAPTF) and consequently no UAP Office. Without Senator Reid confirming that Elizondo was AATIP director there would be no support for Elizondo – arguably the key chess piece in the UAP Revolution. If Elizondo had fallen in those early years, the entire UAP initiative would have been left impotent. Thankfully, he had the support to see him through against the obfuscation efforts.

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Chapter Twenty-Two: The Greatest Secret

What has happened was nothing short of historic. Something which was thought by some in Ufology to never have a chance of happening. Historian Richard Dolan once said that Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) disclosure was a paradox - that there was no motivation for it to be done and also inevitable – he was both right and wrong. He was right because the disclosure of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) has now happened, he was wrong in saying there has been no motivation for it. There has indeed been motivation for it, very much so. When I first read Dolan and Zabel's book *'A.D. After Disclosure'* back in 2013, I agreed with most of the very well thought out points that were made. However, the one major point which alluded both them and myself at the time was the strategic method used for the disclosure vessel. Instead of an all-out event in which the President would go before the people and announce the 'alien' presence, the reality would be much different, much smaller and much more controlled. As we have explained throughout this book, the entire world-shattering information was something that would need to be done slowly, and as part of a careful process. The vast majority of this sensitive issue is, classified, which stop efforts for examining the implications of what this anomalous technology might mean. And that is what has made up the secrecy behind Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) classification is what stops the world from taking accountability and knowing. The systems self-refusal to acknowledge such a new reality. A crime against humanity itself.

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Saturday

01st of January, 2022

'Activists, Assemble.'

The first day of a new year that promises much, and yet so little. We stand on the shoulders of giants and glance up to the heavens without ever taking our feet from the dank muddied abyss. We see what we need to do but

we are encumbered by our past. Bogged down. Defeated. Doomed to repeat the same mistakes decade after decade. Our history of tradition silences us, devours us and smoothers our faint voices until we are no longer able scream out to anyone who will listen. Who would ever take their focus from the safely secure mundane and listen as we point to the sky and say,

"Look!”

At the end of my first book in Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, we wrote about what we might expect to see going forward. As much as we anticipated the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) to have been created, it never occurred to us that we might have legislation written into law for a formal office that investigates the anomalous phenomena. The sad passing of Harry Reid in combination with the signing into law of UAP legislation symbolised the end of the beginning. From 2016 to 2022, the UAP Revolution had used strategy to force the United States Government to acknowledge and act upon Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena. The pushback and obfuscation displayed by some in DoD ultimately had failed and the conversation was able to unfold in the mainstream and into Congress. But this was always part of a process, one which has never occurred before at this level. What we are all witnessing now is unprecedented.

This is where we find ourselves, on the presuppose of a new era. The start of a new world that involves openly acknowledging the existence of anomalous intelligences and technologies. Our work in activism had brought us this far, and we had won the battle, but the war was far from over.

We don’t stop until the world knows, until the world stops and decides to look.

MONDAY

03rd of February, 2022
‘National Security’.

One of the more fascinating theoretical questions about UAP is whether national security should influence issues of disclosure and if so, to what extent? In recent years it has come to light that there is indeed a phenomenon within the skies and oceans which is technologically advanced, however the issue has remained hidden under a blanket of classification. What is more, it seems that vital information that would reveal the

technological abilities or even the origin of the anomalous has been classified. Writing in The Hill, Christopher Mellon (1) stated that the Department of Defense (DoD) set new guidelines to actively ensure that videos such as ‘GIMBAL’, ‘GO FAST’ and ‘FLIR1’ are held back from being released from the public under strict new classification laws. With this tightening grip on data, it becomes even more important to understand the full details of cases that are out in the public domain. One such case is GIMBAL, a video filmed in 2015 by anonymous Navy Pilots and leaked to The New York Times in 2017. It wouldn’t be until April 2020 until the footage was officially released by the Department of Defense and received the official designation of ‘Unidentified’ – a classification term given by Public Affairs Officer (PAO) Susan Gough to researcher Roger Glassel to describe a case taken to conclusion by the UAPTF.

The object in GIMBAL is described by former Navy Pilot Ryan Graves in 2019 as rotating/knife blading and flying in coordination with a fleet of five ‘*Cubes with Sphere’*. This is a little-known fact completely ignored by debunkers with a YouTube channel. This video is the hallmark of the UAP initiative and the video which awoke the world to a radical concept, but unfortunately has since been the victim of misinformation within the UAP research community.

Rather than hash out the same arguments about ‘rotating cameras’ and ‘misidentified planes’ over and over, I contacted former Navy Pilot Ryan Graves on social media to request that the various pilots, who encountered the ‘GIMBAL’ object might consider coming forward anonymously. The idea was to have direct statements about what happened after the GIMBAL video ended and what became of the anomalous ‘*disc followed by cubes’*. This might put an end to the conspiracies, pseudo-debunkers and misinformation which drowns the case and prevents the mainstream from understanding what actually happened in January 2015 off the East Coast of America.

As a side note, it has long been considered by UAP analysts that the information surrounding what eventually happens to GIMBAL is classified (final destination in particular) although we have never been able to verify this. Some have even theorised that the GIMBAL ‘disc and cubes’ perform instantaneous acceleration, but again, no one will confirm this on or off camera or even anonymously. The conversation about the final destination of the ‘Flying Disc’ object is simply avoided.

I would receive this reply (2).

"It's unfortunately no longer possible for them to speak anonymously. Their identities are known within the DOD. Therefore, they are incapable of being anonymous to a large and important cohort considering they're active duty. That will eventually change."

- Ryan Graves, Fmr. Navy Pilot. Replying to Adam Goldsack on Twitter, (2022).

Until the Navy Pilots retire from active duty, we will not get their testimony, nor will we get the official Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP)/UAPTF case report of the USS Roosevelt GIMBAL video, nor will we see the rest of the video. And guaranteed, nobody will ever leak classified material. We find ourselves stuck on GIMBAL, chained to the never-ending methodological flaws of YouTubers trying to prove their ideological perceptions through irrelevant arguments about systems they have never used. The power of disbelief is as strong as the power to believe.

One thing I didn't note about the statement from Graves until two days later, whilst I was running a bubble bath, was that he stated, '*...no longer possible, for them to speak anonymously'* (3). From this we can infer that these pilots have already spoken anonymously at some point - but when? They have spoken to Congressional oversight committees, we know this, but they wouldn't have spoken anonymously to Congress. They would have assumingly confirmed their status under the classified settings. With this in mind, there are no other occasions when the anonymous pilots came forward, apart from when the five pilots spoke to The New York Times (2019). Two Pilots we know, Ryan Graves and Danny Accoin, three we do not. Could these other three have been the pilots who filmed the first ever recognised UAP video? Was it because of them that the editors at The New York Times gave the green light to run the story of the USS Roosevelt incursions (2014/15)?

We refrain from concluding, whilst at the same time we request more data as all (unbiased) researchers do. Ultimately, it doesn't look good on GIMBAL right now - the truth is *on-hold*, awaiting the gloomy rain day to stop. Our hope is Congress will change legislation to allow UAP information to be released at the unclassified level in a responsible way. Or the other hope is some retired Pilots have the courage to tell the world what they

encountered at the unclassified level.

Despite the current lack of progression, we are being told by credible sources that there are hundreds of videos and photos being made available to Congress. Consider the UAPTF Preliminary Report (4) who state 143/144 cases are unidentified – how many of these hold UAP videos? How many are classified? *How many are unclassified?*

Arguably, there is an effort within DoD to stop the leaking of unclassified UAP videos from the UAPTF to the public - such as the 'Omaha Sphere' and the 'Russell Pyramid' footage from 2021 (which also have limited data). Despite the Navy and UAPTF ensuring unclassified UAP videos are being made available, there has been a less than positive reaction by arguably the most important agency when it comes to airspace defense: The United States Airforce (USAF), *where the f*** are they in all this?*

And while the Navy have continued to encounter anomalous technology off the infamous East Coast warning area, some few miles from Virginia, the USAF miraculously haven't reported anything. Despite the fact that both the USAF and Navy have conducted exercises in the highly restricted areas off the East Coast within 'W-72a' and 'W-72b'. Even though both have operated in exactly the same area, the Navy F/A-18s have encountered dozens of UAP since 2015, but the USAF's F/A-22s haven't detected a single one (5).

You might argue that such sightings are classified, which is highly likely, however Congress has oversight authority on unidentified aerial phenomena and by law require updates. Christopher Mellon (4) argues in The Debrief that the Airforce are a custom to not taking seriously 'UFOs' since the closure of their own Project Bluebook investigation branch in 1969. It has had half a century of UAP immunity. That is the negligent theory, the other theory is something more sinister and calculated – that the Airforce knows exactly what it is doing.

"The UAPTF is currently working to acquire additional reporting, including from the U.S. Air Force (USAF)…"

- Christopher Mellon, The Debrief, (2022).

Whether or not the Airforce is overtly obfuscating UAP data after 10 months from Congress and by extension the American public is irrelevant, the non-compliant outcome is very much the same. The question of how do you hold

accountable an agency which simply refuses to admit there is anything to report?

Coincidence or not, the laundry list of USAF officials found on the infamous Susan Gough leaked emails from 2020 is interesting (6). The list on the email contained the footsteps of Airforce officials and arguably showed their intentions early on.

The USAF obfuscation on UAP

Christopher Mellon really drilled the Airforce when writing for The Debrief (2022). Mellon asks the following (paraphrased):

- *Why the USAF didn't contribute to any of the 144 UAP incidents identified the UAPTF/DNI's Preliminary Assessment.*
- *What USAF officials were responsible for supporting the UAP Task Force and if there is a denial of UAP the multiple incidents from 2004 through to 2021?*
- *What happened to the 2020 USAF pilot program to collect UAP? What was the conclusion?*
- *How true are the reports that USAF Officers warned individuals from engaging with the UAPTF?*
- *Why are Navy fighters with routinely detecting UAP off the East Coast of the U.S. for years while USAF F-22s operating in the same training areas did not?*
- *NORAD has apparently acknowledged scrambling their fighter jets to respond to UAP over America and Canada. Mellon asks how many similar incidents have occurred going back to the year 2004? Why wasn't this important data provided to the UAP Task Force?*
- *Does the USAF have in its possession any credible information that would indicate UAP have directly interfered with the United Stares nuclear capabilities?*
- *Does the USAF hold any verified information at any classification level that involves UAP entering and/or leaving the atmosphere of Earth? How many reports do they hold?*
- *How many cases do UAP transcend in an always which is under intelligent control ascending and/or descending?*
- *Are there any behaviour patterns displayed by UAP?*

- *The missing USS Princeton radar data was reportedly taken by USAF personnel and was last at Langley Air Force Base. Where is the USS Princeton radar data and deck logs from the USS Nimitz Encounter (2004)?*
- *When will Congress receive an honest assessment of the UAP issue?*
- *Does the UAP initiative have enough relevant UAP information to take to Congress, DNI, DefSec and the President to engage them and what would that mean for the USAF? What if the USAF has in its possession evidence that shows definitively another civilisation has visited Earth?*

Why are we seeing the United States Navy provide the information to the Congress when the Airforce obfuscate, even after ten months of the Inspector General investigation. Why can we not have oversight into what the military are encountering? And also, we can ask a very important question of national security and democracy with regard to UAP.

We live in a Western democracy, and yet how can our governments actually govern and reflect the will of the people when information is being held back? Yes, national security is important. Yes, governments have a need to keep secrets. To ensure our economy and country is safe from foreign adversaries we must ensure secrecy is enabled, it is a fundamental process of how our agencies operate in the early 21st century. However, the question becomes; *'does the UAP (UFO) issue of potential non-human intelligence and technology supersede national security, and if so, what is the reason for that?'*

This is a very complex question to answer with many defining variables. There might not be a clear 'Yes' or 'No' answer. We may not even have the full information to make answer the question. However, it would appear that some (UAP-Obfuscators) within DoD have already answered that question without oversight or without the democratic will of the people. The fact that efforts have been taken to 'classify' UAP information seemingly answers that question (1). Elements within DoD simply do not want the UAP conversation to happen and they will do what the see necessary - even ignore the law. The real reasons for this however might be unknown to us right now.

"*Except for its existence, and the mission/purpose, virtually*

everything else about the UAPTF is classified, per the signed Security Classification Guide."

- Christopher Mellon, The Hill, (2022).

If extreme classification of UAP videos by these people wasn't bad enough, consider that Luis Elizondo was all but deleted by DoD in his role at AATIP. Some attempted to lie to the American public and reverse claims that Pentagon's UAP program AATIP, *wasn't* a UAP program and Elizondo has no *assigned* responsibilities. His emails were deleted, and his security clearance threatened to stop him from talking to Congress and the mainstream. Most importantly, to stop them from listening.

These are the covert behaviours of desperate people who would defy the democratic process. If these people are so sure that national security on UAP is more important than allowing the people to know the true nature of the anomalous phenomena, then we might ask them to put it to the test, allow the world to have the conversation and see what they decide is in their own interest. Although, something tells me they already know the answer to that question and that's why they are obfuscating the truth.

In summary, the only way forward is through Congress. They hold the keys to accountability and transparency of UAP. Whether they have the authority to change classification legislation with specific regard to unidentified aerial phenomena videos remains to be seen. Additionally, with so much clear obfuscation it remains difficult. What we do know is that without Congressional pressure we can't expect the Department of Defense to make data available at an unclassified level to the American public. The issue needs confident voices who will be supported in their efforts, which I'm sure they will receive.

TUESDAY

04th of February, 2022

'Evil Aliens.'

When considering why the anomalous phenomena might be so obsessively classified, we must examine the theory of whether these unknown UAP technologies belong to a race or species that is malevolent. When Roswell signed the start of the 'cover-up' in 1947, some UAP analysts

suggested that the Generals at the time considered them to be a threat to humanity – and that is why such heavy classification was imposed. This is a difficult concept to gage as firstly we don't know the true nature of what happened at Roswell (or any other alleged crashes), or secondly if at all any Generals actually believed UFOs to be extra-terrestrials. And then also, if they did believe UFOs were extra-terrestrials – did they believe them to be a threat and in what way? Therefore, on this basis we can only examine hypotheticals. So then 'if' hypothetically the United States Government did have access to crashed discs and bodies in the late 1940s, then can we appropriately speculate that they locked the entire issue down? Regardless, it is difficult to know the mindsets of those Generals in the early Cold War era years. We can ask what might constitute the ideology of hostile aliens for such people in government and what data they might have access to that the civilian world did not? We don't know, which is half the problem.

One national security argument that even former AATIP director Luis Elizondo has made, was that the UAP might potentially be on a preliminary scouting mission. When an invading force seeks to conquer new land, they send in a reconnaissance team to scout the area ahead of time, assessing the capabilities of your foe and threat scenario before mobilising. Potentially, UAP might appear one day in vast increasing numbers once enough data has been collected.

Some Ufologists have counter-argued the point that such a highly advanced anomalous technology might easily wipe us out in any numerous weirdly unique ways should they so choose, and then if they were hostile, we would be wiped out already. Some have gone as far as to say that the extra-terrestrials are our space-brothers, and we shouldn't fear them or consider them hostile.

Truthfully, both arguments lack distinct definitive information to conclude upon. We simply do not have the data to suggest they are friendly or hostile. What is clear, is that so far they are indifferent to us – they do not land on the White House lawn, nor do they blow up the Empire State building. The anomalous phenomena are *indifferent,* concealed, hidden away on the edge of our consciousness as though they don't want to us to acknowledge them. The UAP and historical UFOs going back to the 1940s play a semi-covert game of cat and mouse, rarely engaging openly and when they do they disappear quickly. To a Defense official operating in the national security apparatus, you might see how this behaviour presents as

non-friendly, although we certainly can’t gage that the anomalous phenomena even understand (or care) how their behaviours impact us. At some point we must evaluate the very unnerving claims of nuclear weapons interference and, the ‘A’ word. *Abductions*.

If one day we are presented with concrete abduction evidence that is verifiable, which goes beyond the most hardened sceptic and is evidence of something that is truly terrifying, then at that moment the conversation about hostile aliens changes instantly. For if the anomalous are abducting humans, then without doubt we must consider such behaviours a threat to us. Currently, there are many claims of such abduction experience claims that go back to at least the 1960s, although many might be the result of hoaxes, lucid dreaming, and psychedelics. Some Ufologists have claimed that *all* abduction scenarios are the result of the United States military, so as to stage an ‘alien false flag’ initiative. However, this in my opinion is quite absurd and extremely unrealistic for various reasons. Again, we simply don't know.

WEDNESDAY

05th of February, 2022

‘The world’s biggest conspiracy.’

The worst conspiracy ever told

Conspiracy theories are an unfortunate part of the human psyche and rife within Ufology. The modern-day concepts of conspiracies are what you might consider the opposite of rational, objective thinking. And while the official definition of a conspiracy is a group of people who conspire to commit an illegal act, the wider understanding stems further into the abstract ideologies of fact vs. fiction. Truth is often circumstantial with objective facts manipulated at worst and ignored at best. Represented data is at the mercy of whatever bias and agenda the individual theorist wants to portray.

Historically, the ideology of conspiracy theories was always associated in conjunction with government illegality and quite often the claims involved acquisitions of cover-ups and classified secrecy. The absence of data leaves us in a vacuum that is often filled with deeply rooted psychology need. With this in mind, how do we account for the worst conspiracies ever?

The Moon Landing conspiracy was based on minor inconsistencies within the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) photos - which all have a prosaic explanation when investigated. Most, if not all of this conspiracy has been explained, or debunked. Additionally, the Moon Landing conspiracy was also based around assumptions of limited technology in 1969 – but in reality, these assumptions were just that and nothing more. How do you have thousands of people working at NASA keep the lie and for what purpose?

Next up we can consider the JFK assassination – possibly one of the more believable conspiracies – but still something which has very limited hard evidence to point to there being another active shooter. No one else has ever been identified alongside the primary shooter, Lee Harvey Oswald.

The 9/11 inside job is quite possibly the most ridiculous conspiracy. As if anyone would trust President George W. Bush to be involved with such illicit secrets in the build up to that horrific day. More importantly, no patriotic American in government would give the ok to such an attack on home soil against its own people. The idea that a false flag operation could occur is not deemed credible. Surely it would have been uncovered the moment someone opened their mouth to bring in others to the hideous plan. However, regarding 9/11, there is something to be said for the rather bizarre flight characteristics of the planes that day, which I personally feel haven't been explained appropriately within the commission report. As for building seven, I'm not an expert.

It has always been UFOs which has been the biggest conspiracy – that they represent *extra-terrestrials,* and that the government has been covering up their existence. This is tricky ground to cover as there are part truths to this 'conspiracy' which stem back to whether the cover-up was legal or illegal, and what information do the government have. Do they have flying discs and pickled bodies of dead aliens stashed away someplace? We don't know and should be very careful of assuming speculation as fact.

What Conspiracy Theorists think happened with UFOs and Congress: A handy guide to a Psy-Op.

Since the push by Congress to investigate and take seriously 'UFOs', the debunkers have had to 'move the goalposts'. In fact, the goalposts have been so far removed in 2022 that they are in a completely different stadium. For

the debunkers (not sceptics), everything is acceptable, no matter how irrational and nonsensical it may seem so long as they *don't* accept the following three points:

1). UFOs are real and represent something non-human.

2). UFOs represent a technology that humans don't possess.

3). UFOs are a threat to national security.

This isn't scepticism, it is narrative building, it is pseudo-debunking with an agenda which has sited the Pentagon. Consider that if Congress are indeed acting like they have seen evidence of 'Flying Discs' and 'Tic-Tacs' on camera with the supported sensory data doing extreme manoeuvres, then the equation needs to be altered. For the debunkers, the equation needs to be manipulated to show an outcome in which Congress is taking the issue seriously but also that protects their narrative that UFOs aren't real. Not an easy task and one which takes a fair few *left turns* into the world of conspiracy. Which is ironic considering 'sceptics' have cried out about tin-foil hate wearing UFO conspiracies for the longest time and now their only way forward is to themselves become the conspiracy theorist.

The claim from the usual debunkers was that the American Congress and oversight committees for defense and intelligence have been fooled into believing that UFOs are real - which is obviously, psychotic. Admittedly, Congress wouldn't touch the issue of UFOs without substantial proof. It is that simple. They aren't idiots who take limited data and run with it at the risk of ruining their professional careers. The 'Congressional UFO conspiracy' is definitely the most ridiculous conspiracy to date and even gives the 'Alien False Flag Conspiracy' the run around. Ultimately, there are many different conspiracies that hold people's attention, most have fractions of truth imbedded within wild unbelievable stories. For me it comes down to how we as people poorly attribute what is real and what isn't. What is fake news and what is verified reality. We as humans, use the grey area, those gaps within knowledge as a way to express and insert our own versions of subjective reality. Whilst it was sad to see grown men and women believing in extreme claims without evidence, it was also amusing to watch the sceptics turn into the tin-foil hate wearing conspiracy theorists.

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Conclusions

If true, the greatest secret of humanity is that we are not alone. As with the telescope of Galileo Galilee, our collective understanding about reality is often more derived from human psychology than it is from objective fact and what is real. And this hasn't changed much in 500 years. History is seemingly a rehashed version of itself with psycho-socio-religious theology and dogmatic ideology influencing our collective subjective reality. Take the Catholic Church, the unchallenged science of the day, as an example. A refusal to look through the telescope by Pope Urban VIII and a rejection of Copernican Heliocentric ideology in the 17th Century meant Galileo was placed under house arrest. When the truth offends, block it out. The issue isn't so much that these heliocentric versions of reality exist, it is that we as humans simply cannot acknowledge them as they are. This was true of humans accepting that the Earth revolves around the Sun as it is of accepting that we are not alone. Both versions of reality indicate that we humans are not the centre of the universe, nor are we the smartest, most significant or even relevant to the narrative. Egotism, narcissism, self-entitlement and self-importance are the enemy of progression. It is more important for humans to live a lie that serves to only bolster our primitive self, than it is to live the sad truth that we are irrelevant within the cosmos. Arguably therefore, we can excuse the entire UAP issue as being hidden for various issues of defense technology and geopolitical status, but at its heart, the anomalous phenomenon is an issue which has lingered within our own collective psychology since Galileo.

When the truth offends, put it under house arrest.

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Chapter Twenty-Three: The Sky isn't Classified

For the last few years, activists have plagued debunkers and career Ufologists with a form of activism that is not in the Ufology rule book. Removing extra-terrestrials, Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs), and aliens from a campaign that was historically about extra-terrestrials, UFOs and aliens was unheard of. And yet, it worked. The strategy, which engaged the mainstream, galvanised a subculture from within a social media platform and enabled people to not become a victim to the secrecy. To combat, challenge and dismantle the status-quo as though they might at last end the secrecy surrounding Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). The entire concept was to allow people to stand up and be counted, to fight, not be passive, pressure media and political figures into having a serious conversation about UAP. To have the world look up and say, *"...yes, this is real"*. But it comes with a heavy price to pay. The 'Andreas Freeman Stahl' alias for example, was a fictional account created by myself and German researcher Sven Kolbow in 2018 after we realised just how unstable some people in Ufology really were. We knew back then that as 'Adam Goldsack', the galvanising process wouldn't last long, particularly considering just how desperate certain cultist types within Ufology would become when they realised the UAP initiative would eventually signal the end of Ufology in its current form. And this was heritage to the UFO cultists and extra-terrestrial true believers.

Thus, Andreas took the arrows so Adam (my personal self) wouldn't have to, it allowed the attacks to be deflected and diverted into a black hole and absorbed by an alias who didn't exist in the real world. Occasionally, some individuals worked out my identity, specifically a journalist (I won't name) from very early 2018 - although for some reason he became convinced I worked for the government in some shady conspiracy. Others would later work it out, particularly Ufologists/Debunkers looking to find whatever they could on us, to stop us in what we were doing. Various accounts on social media tried to impersonate us while others tried to release personal information on us, and myself. "*The bastards are everywhere*" it was said to me one day. And they were.

It was thought that some were Russian trolls, others were gorilla

debunkers, and most were angry Ufologists who refused to allow their UFO-livelihood from being taken from them. And then there is the dark world obfuscators, the types you never really accept or can comprehend exist in the real world. But they do exist. These are the worst of society, they are cold, calculating, un-empathetic and seemingly motivated by a twisted sense of patriotism. These are the people who have classified the sky, classified nature and the beautiful wonderment of the anomalous. In reality theses people's allegiance to a cause doesn't come through some sense of service to their country, no, it comes through their own ill-fated sense of becoming self-actualised. They derive their embodiment through being the heroic villain with a cause in which *the end justifies the means* as they hide themselves away while making threats from the shadows. It is why people like Lue must sit with a gun in defense of their home and family.

People sometimes asked me why I fought the corner of the UAP initiate and in particular Lue Elizondo, the answer I always gave was that I know what I took for him to stand up and make a difference. What Lue Elizondo and his wife faced took a kind of strength I simply do not have. Multiple threats were made against him, his family, career, his reputation, his clearances and all from the shadows. Not to mention the sponsored social media witch-hunt.

These UAP-Obfuscators and associates wanted to stop the conversation and would do whatever it took. Ultimately however, they failed. The conversation occurred in the mainstream media and no number of threats could stop it. The Congress would learn about Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena through briefings, progress was made through the creation of investigative programs and produced reports.

Under the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign, we would galvanise a younger generation who were new to the world of UFOs. Those new people would themselves took to Congress, took to the mainstream media and took to the public to demand UAP accountability and transparency. These were the same people who would go on to create a platform through social media and mould the infamous hashtag (#UFOTwitter) which housed the UAP Revolution. These were the people who fight to ensure the world could have an open, rational, stigma free conversation about the anomalous phenomena. The question, which was asked, was when do we stop? When is it enough? At what point do we walk away? When do we stop running up that hill? When do we, as humans, accept that the sky isn't classified?

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TUESDAY

22 of February, 2022
'Death of a Salesman.'

That Tuesday in February was the final day, the day I decided to de-platform my Andreas Freeman Stahl alias account. '*Andreas*' had been there since the beginning of the civilian UAP initiative and handy tool against Twitter trolls when getting information to the mainstream. The social media account ran from *UAPinfo*, *The Unidentified*, and through to the labelling and creation of the #TwitterUFO platform which we helped build in 2018 with Danny Silva, Keith Mayoh, Sven, Christian, Tim, Jason, and others. The Andreas account had a wide abstract following by the time it was put out of commission (in its current form). By the end however, it simply wasn't working and the approach of both the Andreas account and the platform of #UFOTwitter. In fact, at that time there had massed a huge community of debunkers determined to stop any form of activism from occurring. Their aim was to eventually take down and discredit the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program along with the UAP Task Force, plus the newly created Pentagon *office* - the Airborne Object Identification Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG). Fake accounts and trolling were initiated from this effort, smears and downright lies were told to disrupt and distract our efforts to get information into the mainstream. This might seem surreal to read, but it very much did happen. As much as UAP activists were campaigning to get Congress to take UAP seriously, another, more insidious group were trying just as hard to discredit the campaign and any associated members. These people were the social media salesmen, they agenda was to sell the mainstream on an idea which fit their own predetermined narrative. They hated AATIP and the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), wildly attacking anyone or anything associated with venom with every passing month. Looking closely, this anti-disclosure movement was made up of a mixture of five distinct anti-disclosure groups of individuals.

1). Career Ufologists. These were researchers who didn't want their

community status as FOIA-Gurus to be stripped from them and given to the mainstream. After all, this was their baby, they owned UFOs, they alone were entitled to fight the government for information. Arguably, the introduction of genuine disclosure, transparency and government accountability would leave take away their sense of occupation, self-efficacy and esteem. Arguably, it is why such people never came out to praise the efforts of Congress and Navy Pilots.

2). Conspiracy Theorists. These are a strange mix of New World Order and 9/11 types who hate the intelligence agencies or the government in general. They believe that UFOs are a distraction tool used by the globalists. They fiercely fight back against any disclosure efforts, believing that UFOs are a con to gain more power and more funding for the military industrial complex. You probably know the types, the ones who take the opposite position to the government regardless of the context. As the UAP initiative involved government input this led them to engage counterproductively.

3). Alien False Flag Theorists. These are the long-term UFO people who believe that the government is secretly conducting what they refer to as an 'Alien False Flag' event in which the secret keepers will deploy an armada of human made craft, made to resemble actual alien spacecraft to attack and kill people, thus creating a motive for a fake war against the peace-loving aliens. This is ridiculous of course. And this is not a joke, these types of believers exist and actually believe this is a real thing. Worse still, these people were trying to stop our activism efforts thinking that we are facilitating this alien false flag event.

4). Debunkers. These are the people who claim to be sceptics, but in reality, are people trying to force a narrative that every UAP can be explained away as weather balloons and drones. They have the same level of bias as the Ufology true believers and over the last four years have been very active to shut down the UAP initiative.

5). Other interests. These people cannot be completely verified to be operating within social media. Hypothetically however, these are people who know the reality of UAP and would have something to lose by the disclosures of anomalous phenomena.

Ufology on Twitter

The Twitter platform had run the course and become what it was never meant to be in those dark winter days - '*Ufology on Twitter'*. Despite my objections, the #UFOTwitter platform that I had named and helped build in 2018 had fallen to mainstream Ufology – the one thing it was never meant to be. A consortium of true extra-terrestrial believers and 'Discord' debunkers attacked without mercy, their ideologies were dying as a result of the progress the UAP initiative had made.

The truth is that without constant input from tweets and blog posts, the original #UFOTwitter remit would always be diluted and be taken in other directions by various conspiracy types with their own interests. To sustain our original concept required time, energy, and endurance – something I no longer had. Just like the 'Andreas mask' had completed the mission and so had #UFOTwitter.

Kind words from people across twitter and Facebook came in that Tuesday evening. The team at UAPMediaUK and SkyFort made me feel ok about the decision to retire from activism, with Sean Cahill giving me some good advice about letting the mask go. Someone within the team requested that I would still be needed in some capacity as the events unfold, particularly with public UAP education campaigns that would be needed. The decision about my future was yet to be made fully. However, at the time I felt it was the end for me as 'Andreas', I had already left the building after another round of personal attacks from internet debunker/believer trolls who didn't take kindly to what we were doing. Everything pointed towards leaving the role of an activist in UAP, particularly given the pressures of writing for UAPMediaUK and the demands of a university degree. Although, as others have said, you don't walk away from the anomalous phenomena, it won't let you.

WEDNESDAY

23rd of February, 2022

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It hadn't even been 24 hours since the de-platforming of the Andreas Freeman Stahl account. Not a day since I had walked away. It just so happened that Wednesday evening, after university, that I clicked into my

personal twitter account and saw the GIMBAL photo attached to the mainstream ‘Space.com’ and their twitter article. 'Space.com' is a respected science outlet that covers the latest space & technology issues and an organisation I read often. On twitter they have 995k followers, and 2’716’827 followers on Facebook and received 1’230 likes on twitter. They had posted an article about my attempt to have UAP videos declassified. This was massive exposure from Space.com and ensured the petition skyrocketed to over 4’000 signatures on less than 24 hours (1).

‘Initiated on Feb. 10 by Adam Goldsack of the United Kingdom, the petition is hosted on the Change.org website’.

- Leonard David, Space.com (2022).

It was quite surreal to see our petition get that amount of coverage, although we must concede that a little petition wouldn’t force anyone to do anything when it comes to UAP – but it was the exposure that counts. The article was at least raising the awareness and getting the message out there. The petition itself was the usual UAP terminology filled with Congressional language that the mainstream could absorb.

‘The radical 'transmedium' technology of unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP) is currently being withheld from the American public. The UAPTF-DNI preliminary report on UAP found that 143/144 cases were classified as 'unidentified.’ (2)

- Adam Goldsack, (2022).

Additionally, other articles quickly followed that were written to give the petition coverage (3) (4). I’m not one for synchronicity, but this was bizarre. After four years of activism under Andreas Freeman Stahl, I had temporarily absconded my quest in favour of something else, telling myself the job was done, that the NDAA was signed and the issue within Congress. And here, less than 24 hours after leaving, my UAP petition was in the mainstream article. Perhaps this was a sign telling me not to quit, or at least not completely. Maybe this was someone telling me that the mask was no longer needed and to have courage, to continue to fight under my real name. If Congressional representatives such as Senator Harry Reid, Marco Rubio and Kristen Gillibrand, Navy Pilots such as Alex Dietrich, Dave Fravor and Ryan Graves, Journalists such as Ralph Blumenthal, Leslie Kean, Tom Rogan and

Tim McMillan could put their names out there on UAP…. then so could I. Also, I promised 'The Man' a few years back that I wouldn't leave him to take mudslinging from the bog of eternal stench – also known as Ufology. There are people like Sean Cahill and Lue Elizondo who are not only heroes, but leaders, men of integrity who take arrows while others run and hide. I've always tried to ask *what ends the UAP secrecy?* I believe I have my answer. Courage. Having the courage to do the right thing. To fight and take the arrows. Stand and be counted.

For me personally, things were about to change. The alias Andreas Freeman Stahl was gone, and with him the more aggressive 'young gun' activist format. My own path would stay on course within activism efforts, although it would directly change from the #EndUAPSecrecy efforts. After some rebuilding and team discussions from within the allied partnership we had a plan. Activism would need to evolve, progress and become more than it was under previous campaigns. We were under no illusions, this would take strategy, effort and a new home to platform. First, we would need a new symbol and a new 'AIM'.

Next, we would need a message which has no predetermined notion. #EndUAPSecrecy was a brilliant campaign, but ultimately flawed through the asserted notion that there is a secrecy behind UAP – which there is – but seven billion people might reject that stigmatised concept. We need to be careful of creating and also stimulating massive groups of debunkers who might attack the UAP initiative. Like we have witnessed across #UFOTwitter since the UAP report was released in 2021, people will refute the notion that there has been any secrecy kept because it stirs up personal psychology and questions their faith in government. Instead of segregating these people and their extreme ideologies, we need to become more inclusive, we need them to understand the issue.

Admittedly, I was warned about this and the strategic pitfalls of the #EndUAPSecrecy by a person close to the Congressional UAP initiative. Unfortunately, I ignored their warning, I was wrong. Seemingly, blinded by my own arrogance, I decided to push my own form of 'in-your-face' activism regardless. Looking back, that was a learning lesson about egotism and not to lose sight of the bigger picture. As my Mum would to me as a child, *"failing*

is not falling, failing is not getting back up". Consequently, any new activism effort would need to be stripped back from any sub-agenda message. The public aren't dumb (mostly), they know when an alternative motive is at play. So, we would need to make the information the focus point, the messenger should be invisible and that allows the message to shine through. A campaign which is nameless, and faceless, provides no opportunity for pushback and attacks from debunkers and Ufology cultists - much like the pushback that unfortunately happened to #EndUAPSecrecy. Ultimately, our goal was to have our methodology become self-sustaining – meaning hundreds if not thousands of others engaging in the reframed UAP methodology/terminology we had being pushing since 2017. However, this would only happen with real, tangible data. Something we didn't openly have in a process disclosure world, but something we needed to campaign for.

All of us.

FRIDAY

15th of March, 2022

'War of fools.'

I've personally been involved with the UAP research and activism field since 2017. In all that time the conversation amongst the Ufologists and true believers has been controlled through stigma, paranoia and unverifiable conspiracies from within the various socio-subcultures. Almost akin to a town or village, each subculture within the wider Ufology hamlets will generally follow the same subconscious parameters and guidelines with each subsection providing a role for the community. We can even argue that there is a well-defined 'circle of concept', formulated from within old guard Ufologists who determine what is acceptable to talk about and research about (and what is not). The last few years have shown that there are many concepts and ideologies which are discordantly relegated to an area outside of this hypothetical circle. In particular, there are two main themes which are wholeheartedly rejected throughout the majority of Ufology subcultures – these are that the government are not to be trusted on UAP and that the UFOs (alien space brothers) are friendly towards humanity. Potentially, we as a species need to question what it means for some (maybe not all) of the anomalous phenomena to be genuinely non-hostile, beyond disinformation

and unfounded conspiracies.

Should UAP show to be hostile in the long-term, then do we even have a chance against them? Counter arguments against anomalous hostility have always been around the annihilation of Earth, but maybe we need to consider other forms of manipulation, strategy and tactics which might be used against us in secret. After all, they have never intervened in our countless bloodied wars or saved us from diseases. They have however, intervened with our nuclear weapons while never showing themselves openly to us. And most importantly, they allow us to believe they don't exist. Is this friendly? Is this non-threatening? Or something else entirely?

Personally, I've yet to see anything to suggest that the anomalous phenomena will become overly hostile (annihilation hypothesis) in the future, but then I'm also not privy to classified information. In a way, it becomes important to be able to address difficult conversations and be able to change what we believe to be the truth – which is more important than defending a predetermined subjective ideology. This is not an easy thing to do. Accepting an alternative/contradictory version of what we see as our *own truth* is determined by multiple factors which are sometimes not even related to the content itself.

I've learnt the hard way that attempting to engage the 'circle of concept' with extreme and challenging information can be met with pushback and hostility. People are bound by an embodiment of their own personal psychology, with the Ufological belief in 'extra-terrestrials' high on that list, particularly with regards to who we want *them* to be. After all, this unknown technology and intelligence is frightening.

The human Sympathetic Nervous System (SNS) which produces the 'fight or flight' response, continuously sends subconscious warning signals to our conscious minds. Regarding UAP, the brain tells us that these things, *what or whoever they are*, are a potential threat and could destroy us. There is nothing to stop that. We are helpless. This is pretty powerful emotive dissonance and makes us think irrationally and illogically. This can even impact how we perceive reality itself. A 'Flying Disc' becomes a distant plane. A 'Tic-Tac' becomes a seagull. A 'Cube within a Sphere' becomes a radar reflector. This is the human defence mechanism in operation, it has the power to manipulate objective reality and truth into our expressed subjective reality. It protects us, safeguards us, and defines our collectively agreed upon reality from the perceived threat of death. Basically, we are lying to ourselves

to be happy.

Arguably, it is why we as a species rejected the UFO existence in the mid-20th century - we simply couldn't accept that radical reality into our collective circle.

And for those who know the existence of the anomalous, it makes sense to want to apply humanistic perceptions onto them, to believe that they are friendly space-brothers and non-threatening. In reality we simply do not know the intentions of the anomalous phenomena and certainly do not have the data to conclude. Are we really ready as a species to have the difficult conversation? A serious conversation about threats that the UFO-Gurus would denounce as government psychological operations?

Any psychologist would argue that a mass education/awareness program is badly needed to be implemented into the Western populations. Open transparency and UAP truth are needed to allow trust in government on this extremely difficult concept. But is that happening? We would argue no, it isn't, or at least not on a macro scale that is effective. People do not believe, and will not believe, the unwritten psychological hold on them is too great. They need to see it to believe it, but first they need to accept it and not fear it.

The truth is that there are people working with the American government and the British government who are good people, who want to have the anomalous phenomena be made public and in a responsible way but whose hands are tied in red tape. Some of these people working behind the scenes know the relevance of having anomalous technology implemented into the civilian world. Consequently, this technology might potentially one day replace fossil fuels. Others know that they need to counteract Russia and China's efforts to build hypersonic thermonuclear technology which could wipe out the West before we even know the button has been pushed – imagine something like the Tic-Tacs instantaneously appearing over Washington, London and every nuclear counter strike position. We would be helpless.

As you might imagine, there are many reasons why the secrecy was kept from the public in the Cold War era, and there are many reasons why a small group from within the Department of Defense have instigated the UAP initiative. Analysts deep within the intelligence community assessed a while ago that the change was needed, aka, '*future proofing'*. The secrecy of UFOs that was once a beneficial aspect of national security is now a threat to national security through 'stove-piping'. Rotten fruit in the fridge becomes

worse, not better. Sometimes there needs to be a clear-out, no matter how dirty it gets.

But these are difficult conversations to have, particularly when paranoid conspiracy theorists who have political bias and who hate the government are very vocal. Telling old school Ufologists that the inner workings of the Department of Defense have their best interest at heart is complex and somewhat unattainable.

Regaining trust in government

We live in a post 9/11 world. A new era of diluted truths. Internet conspiracies around 9/11 'inside job' are rife, and the Iraq War of 2003 is still a major problem when trying to engage and regain the trust of the American people. The 'Deep State' and the negative perception of the intelligence community keeping secrets from the West is common practice across message boards and forums worldwide. Q-anon conspiracy lunatics hide their true selves whilst the misinformation and 'Fake News' the spread become such a normality that no information is ever truly believed.

Consider also, that in the early 21st century and the age of an emerging internet, the issue of disinformation was won by Russia a lot sooner than the West even realised it was happening. A failure to acknowledge any wrongdoing or negligence might save face for the Pentagon in the short term, but long term the people are divided, frustrated and left feeling unrepresented. Decades of democracy wars, energy wars, terrorism and lowered socio-economic status ensured one thing: that the people distrusted their own government. They believe what they watch on YouTube, not the media, not the Pentagon – and who can blame them. The long-term result is an insurrection on democracy.

Flash-forward to the UAP initiative that has been occurring from 2017- present day. The Ufologists who have known there are anomalous phenomena simply distrust what they see as the 'Deep State' intelligence community and 'the government'. By extension, they work with known debunkers in secret groups to formulate ways to attack and stigmatise 'UAP Activism' efforts due to any tentative association to Mr. Elizondo.

Arguably, there has only been the former AATIP Director Luis Elizondo, to have the honest conversation with the American public about UAP. Others have remained anonymous due to fear of career retribution.

Campaigns spearheaded by some UAP-Obfuscators, have muddied information from the public and have even gone as far as to not comply with Congress. They have taken active steps to classify information around the GO FAST, GIMBAL and FLIR1, citing ridiculous (and easily avoidable) 'sources and methods' as explanations.

In total, there are many, many interests who wish for this to simply all go away, to return to the world before AATIP, UAP and Mellon/Elizondo. A desolate world in which conspiracy Ufology challenged the 'Flat Earth' community for the most ridiculed fringe topic within tabloids. But it won't go back. Too much has happened in four years, too many high ranking people know the reality of the phenomena and no amount of internet trolls will stop what will happen in the next few years. The truth doesn't care what we think and can be difficult to accept. The truth is ugly, and not always what we want to hear, but ultimately it is a definitive construct not bound by the subjectivity of human perceptions. The truth must be known, whatever that may be. People need to act. People need to have the difficult conversation that could end up frightening them. It is very important that Western governments find a way to address this with their people and not hide from it, too much is at stake. Trust in government and our democracy must once again prevail.

Conclusions

When the truth offends, block it out, hide it, cover it up and classify it. The anomalous phenomena was a gift for us from *God* and we failed. We failed to come together and unite for a better world using UAP technology and knowledge. Instead of sharing what we had with other countries we thought only of ourselves and went about the issue covertly. The truth was classified as a matter of policy and it has nearly killed us, punished us for our sins, infected our defense industry with imperialism. The fight to fix a broken system hasn't been an easy one, but it is one we cannot run from any longer. UAP activism was always about taking raw information from #UFOTwitter, filtering it and making it credible for the mainstream. As discussed, we stayed away from pushing anything Ufological, which meant the stories about MJ-12, Roswell or Area 51. Stories that would be outright rejected by the mainstream media. There was a strategic relevance to being a modern-day activist and one which required an ability to plan several moves ahead. Play chess, not hungry-hungry hippos was the famous saying. My role, using the alas Andreas Freeman Stahl, was created to facilitate the process of pushing

data into the mainstream and that meant creating platforms to house such initiatives. The UAP initiative worked and was/still is effective despite the alleged orchestrated efforts to infiltrate both believer/debunker social media communities with wild disinformation and conspiracies, all with the aim of supposedly muddying the waters and pushing back against the Congressional effort to address the anomalous phenomena.

Despite these efforts, the UAP Revolution from late 2017 to early 2022 had achieved its main goal of getting Congress to act - mission accomplished. Oversight committees were being briefed, legislation was signed, and those who were obfuscating UAP truth were being investigated. My own social media activist alias was no longer required, and the decision was made to change the approach. Our own efforts became focused on enabling data to be accessible to the public through various social media campaigns whilst writing articles for UAPMediaUK. Personally, we were just thankful to play some small role in the effort alongside the other activists, advocates and UAP Progressionists. The united U.S. + U.K. teams played their own part to facilitate the UAP initiative and who shall remain anonymous at this time. To answer the question of *when* we stop being activists? We might argue it is when Congress and the Pentagon are unified and take accountability for the anomalous phenomena. Maybe it is when the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) engage, or when the President of the United States openly acknowledges the anomalous phenomena are not a classification and declares to the world "*...we are not alone*".

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Chapter Twenty-Four: The Classified Shapes of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena

The history of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is filled with reports of weirdly shaped geometric anomalous *things* that fly at incredible speeds, complete 90 degree turns and hover without any means of lift or propulsion. This is a technology we don't have *today*, nor did we have this at the turn of the 21st Century, or in the 1990s or in the mid-20th Century. This is not our technology; it is that simple. Going back to the spherical 'Foo-Fighter' shapes that appeared in 1942 or the flying 'discs' that started appearing in the 1940s, or even the Tic-Tacs of the early 21st Century, the anomalous phenomena have been tracked on radar, captured by Pilots on film, and have even been the subject of multiple government programs and covert investigations. With almost every shape imaginable being reported by military and civilian witnesses, this bizarre technology is a complete mystery to us. The fact the anomalous are presenting themselves as recognisable geometric shapes is in itself, fascinating. Some 'Anomalous-Psychologists' might argue this is a form of communication, that their shaped presentation might resemble a message in a way that can be understood by humans. Others, within the military, might view their shape as serving a function – possibly to scout areas in the way we send out drones for surveillance. Whatever the reason, we can only speculate without further details on behaviour and intention. We need more data.

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SUNDAY

27th of March, 2022

'Circles and Triangles.'

Late Sunday night, I was stood holding my son as he settled from a nightmare. On his wall facing his infant bed was a poster - a children's

learning poster for ages 1-3. On the poster was an assortment of shapes – a circle, a square, a triangle, and an oval across the top in bright colours. If these had been printed into 3D, they would have been a sphere, a cube, a pyramid and an ovoid. The very same basic geometric shapes that the anomalous phenomena have been deploying to engage Navy strike groups were right there in front of me, positioned on my two-year old's poster. As I held my son, my mind flashed back to my own *experience*.

In 1997 on a school trip, I was confronted late at night by a green laser-beam that shone through the upper window of a hostel and directly into the boy's bedroom. The strange green beam swirled and vibrated various patterns and shapes on the back of an adjacent bunk bed before scanning the room and also seemingly scanned the boys who slept, completely unaware. I never knew what happened after that because I did what any young kid does when faced with a nightmare monster, I hid under the covers. After hiding under the covers I instantly fell asleep/blacked out and therefore don't recall anything else. But I have never forgot that night in all these years. I even remember thinking the word '*Alien'* at the time but reassured myself the next morning that it was nothing and that *they* don't exist. Regardless of what my experience was or wasn't, meant or didn't mean, the mathematical concept of *shapes* was in my head. My scientific mind can advocate any number of rational explanations, often in direct contrast to how an experience leaves you feeling. Not that we might acknowledge that mathematics isn't intentional. After all, mathematics can be understood to be a conscious design format derived from reality's universal laws. Without conscious intention, do geometrical shapes infer anything other than something random? Is mathematics a universal language?

Imagine that the use of geometric shapes was intended by an anomalous intelligence to engage us. Are they communicating with us through their very appearances and basic designs, telling us they are using another form of physics, speaking to our subconscious? Speculation, is the word here.

Again, we simply do not know.

It is interesting to consider that their anomalous aerial vehicles aren't designed like we would design our aircraft. We need to build a shape which is functional to the environment, so for example, a plane has wings to navigate lift and drag as it flies though Earth's various atmospheric levels. A

rocket for example is streamlined to thrust into upper orbit and a submarine is designed with propellers to aid movements at subsurface levels within the oceans. Our technology is limited by the function of design and doesn't have the luxury of a 'warp bubble' and/or anti-gravity energy sources. We don't have the luxury of picking any shape we desire to zip through the skies and oceans as we are limited by our understanding of physics.

The anomalous however, are not.

Anomalous communication

We automatically assume that the anomalous phenomena are one species of alien which are generally thought to be humanistic in appearance, intelligence, and even behaviours. We assume that, *if real and here on Earth,* these aliens would instantly communicate with us and land on the White House Lawn. But what if they aren't aliens at all in the extra-terrestrial sense? What if they are entities from another dimension that are something we simply do not even have words to describe. How do they communicate with us if they do not understand communication in the same way we do? Could it be the equivalent of use trying to explain the workings of an iPhone to an ant? The ant doesn't even have the capacity to acknowledge us as humans, or our iPhone. So despite our incredible advances in comparison to an ant, we still are unable to communicate with the lower species as the simple mind of an ant doesn't have the capacity to understand. However, we can still influence the ant's world without it recognising us in our true human form. Maybe this is our exact relationship to the anomalous phenomena. Maybe the anomalous phenomena can influence our world through indirect communication? Or maybe they have no interest in communicating? We simply do not have the data to say. I'm certain that social-psychologists will need to play a part in anomalous communication identification as time progresses – remember the 2016 film 'Arrival'?

*At this point I should probably make clear that I do not believe whatever my experience was is something anomalous. Nor do I believe there was any communication. I use my own experience as a method of allowing thoughts about the nature of the shapes, and any potential intention or relevance.

Geometrically shaped anomalies and intention

One of the people I've been fortunate enough to speak with made an intelligible statement about Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). Specifically, he spoke about the 'Cube within Spheres' that flew in unison and rotation with the 'GIMBAL' craft from January 2015. He stated that the Cubes flew and rotated with an angle of bank, unlike the GIMBAL flying disc itself, which rotated in a fixed position. This would suggest that the 'Cubes' weren't performing instantaneous acceleration or hyper advanced propulsion (beyond anti-gravity/positive lift) in the turn sequence. As I said to him, this could indicate a *weakness* in their technology. The anonymous gentleman, who works in defense aerospace, also made the hypothetical claims that potentially the Cubes can't fly too far from 'EM propulsion drive' of the larger GIMBAL 'disc' and the cubes need to *recharge* energy sources. An interesting take for sure, and if true, would bring into question the abilities and flight behaviours of these shapes.

In the late March of 2022, George Knapp hosted the legendary Coast2CoastAM show with guest Jeremy Corbell (1). The show focused on leaks and the data he and Corbell had released the summer before and what it meant for how the unclassified task force data was handled. Since the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) leaks in 2021, there had been a active effort to classify all data relating to the task force. Meaning DoD wanted to shut down any information getting out to the public.

More pushback for UAP transparency.

WEDNESDAY

13th of April, 2022

'Recap.'

We started this journey over four years ago with the release of The New York Times article that documented the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) and its confirmed director, Luis Elizondo. Over the years, the UAP initiative has played out like some weird screenplay, written by some inspiring New York writer in his dank apartment as he desperately tries to make it big. The plotline is filled with heroes, villains and those caught in the middle trying to make sense of a phenomena that defies logic and rational thinking. This is a story starts with a man who quits his luxurious role within the Pentagon to tell the world that 'aliens' exist and possibly that we are not alone, that something is here with us, and that the

something might be a significant matter of national security. As the story continues, we find that our stories protagonist – Luis Elizondo – comes under threat for his security clearance by his former boss and alleged UAP antagonist, Garry Reid. Elizondo is investigated over the way he managed to facilitate the release of those three infamous UAP videos. 'GO FAST', 'GIMBAL' and 'FLIR1' were unclassified although never destined for release to the public – essentially meaning there was nothing illegal about the process in which they reached The New York Times in 2017. Having failed to attribute any issues of legality, and failing to remove Elizondo's security clearance, our stories antagonist is then claimed to set about waging a lengthy discrediting campaign of disinformation against Elizondo. By apparently directing some influence over the Pentagon's Public Affairs Officer (PAO), the story takes a turn against Elizondo when in the summer of 2019, Susan Gough finds herself reversing the entire story of AATIP/UAP and Elizondo's role despite documents and high ranking testimony backing up Elizondo.

Then, a journalist by the name of Keith Kloor writes an article which states Elizondo had no responsibilities to AATIP. Over those next few months, leading up to December 2019, the entire AATIP saga is buried. AATIP and the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), were portrayed as not being UAP related, and the DoD didn't ever use the term 'anomalous'. Gough (with a professional history in psychological operations), was accused by UFO-types of influencing and manipulating the world of Ufology by inputting and speaking specifically to selected FOIA-UFO researchers. Researchers who they knew wouldn't question the data that was being given to them and happily convey their version of AATIP and Elizondo. They are claimed to have set about trying to dismantle everything from the UFO videos, the true nature of AATIP/AAWSAP, Elizondo, and the very existence of the UAP initiative. And they might have got away with it as well if it wasn't for those pesky meddling *disclosure kidz*. Well, more like a Popular Mechanics article which appeared in the February of 2020 to squash the disinformation. Journalist Tim McMillan was in contact with people who had access to the data of AAWSAP and their contractor BAASS. He showed that the 10-month report was filled with UFOs (UAP) which was in direct contradiction to the official statements trying to claim that AATIP/AAWSAP were not UFO related.

To further the claims of Elizondo, McMillan showed in The Debrief's December 2020 article that the DoD were taking UAP very seriously. In the

mix of all this it was found that Elizondo's emails had been deleted after he left office. Then finally in the April of 2022, McMillan reported on the obfuscation of the entire UAP issue by a recently fired individual, Elizondo's former boss, Garry Reid. The article shows that Reid was the subject of an Inspector General claim by Elizondo and that it was Reid behind the entire saga. Reid had been conversing with Gough. And Gough had been misleading the American public about Elizondo's role at AATIP and about AATIP itself.

Within the months ahead the legitimacy of Elizondo and his role at AATIP would be spoken about in Congress, confirmed to them by DoD, but all the while done in a closed-door type of way which never reached the public. Questionable tactics, and whilst it preserved the position of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence (OUSDI) in public on their UAP program, it caused hell for Elizondo and his family. At this point we must give acknowledgment and credit to Lue's family, put in particular to his wife who has stood by him throughout this entire ordeal.

Without her strength, her support and her integrity we may never have gotten the disclosure this world so badly needed. *'By the side of every good man stands an even better woman'*.

The result of this bizarre saga would see Congressional legislation that demanded the DoD reveal the history of who in the intelligence community had been providing 'unclassified and classified misinformation' on UAP. Congress knew who Elizondo was and what AATIP was and more importantly they knew that DoD had been lying about the most important issue in human history.They were pissed and rightly so.

The bizarre thing is that this isn't a screenplay. This isn't some obscure plot line to some X-Files episode. This is the backstory to AATIP which has played out over the past 4 years. All of the drama and battles over AATIP had been down to members within OUSDI (and other intelligence agencies) and their alleged efforts to stop the UAP initiative. While the Inspector General investigation is still ongoing we don't know exactly the final conclusion. Despite this, the saga of AATIP has some small form of conclusion and I was able to congratulate Lue on the result. Against all the arrows and mudslinging, he had won.

SATURDAY

16th of April, 2022
‘*Diagram*.’

Sitting at work and drinking my overly sugary coffee, an idea popped into my head. The idea involved making a crude drawing/diagram of the ‘GIMBAL’ event as told by the Navy Pilots associated with the case. My picture showed how the anomalous object in the GIMBAL UAP video follows a fleet of cubes and rotates in unison before flying off in the direction by which it came. I posted my drawing and tagged Lieutenant Ryan Graves, who confirmed ‘*yes, that’s essentially it*.’ (2). The importance of this case cannot be understated, and that is why we have worked so hard to ensure an accurate depiction is taken (see appendix B: Diagrams). But ultimately, we need the full UFO video that ties in both Go-Fast and GIMBAL. If that video was ever released to the world, it could change the world. So would the much debated '23-minute video' or the video of a 'football field' triangle coming up from the Atlantic Ocean in 2019. We know they are classified and getting anyone who knows about it to speak about it has been just about impossible.

WEDNESDAY

05th or May
‘*Not happy.’*

Despite the removal of Garry Reid from his position as Director of Defense Intelligence (DDI), the obfuscation of UAP information was still very much in place. After all, this issue of secrecy isn’t down to one or two supposed people, the issue is inherited down through the ranks of the Department of Defense (DoD). Since 1947, the secrecy itself has mutated and formed its own means of preservation, engulfing the very nature of the democratic process itself. The people who have taken up the baton are pawns in the collective system by which the secrecy operates. Essentially, those within DoD were doing everything they possibly could to stop Congress from finding out about the real anomalies operating in our world. That is a fact. What isn’t clear is *why*.

Bryan Bender broke the story that Wednesday in POLITICO that Congress wasn’t happy about being kept in the dark (3). Seemingly, the DoD was dragging its feet with some of their briefings on UAP. Additionally, there was some suggestion that DoD wanted to dilute UAP with ‘air trash’,

‘space junk’ and terrestrial objects such as Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)/drones. The problem however, was that the Congressional oversight committees had been briefed by Naval Intelligence (and others) with very clear videos that are backed up with sensory data and the testimony of Navy Pilots. Whilst one part of DoD was telling various truths about Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, other parts of DoD were not. Multi-factions covertly operated, backed by multiple interests and secured funding under the premise of defense contractor special access programs, and almost all of whom needed the secrecy intact. The result was frustration and dissonance which poured down into the system. Calls for Congressional hearings were instantly sounded by activism groups such as our own. And as others such as Bryce Zabel and Ross Coulthart pointed out, the time for hearings was upon on.

A Congressional hearing campaign

After consulting with some people close to the UAP initiative, we got the ‘*green light’,* the water was the right temperature at last. Essentially, I need to be very careful here in what I say because there are pseudo/debunkers, Ufology conspiracy theorists, and other unstable groups of people who look to use whatever they can to create drama and untruths - even now. With that said, I can say that our UAPMediaUK team and the #EndUAPSecrecy campaign occasionally and informally liaised with some interesting people who had genuine disclosure on their remit. We were never ordered to do anything; we were never under instruction, and we only ever asked for guidance. In this regard - the concept of UAP activism (not UFO activism) was our own idea and came from nobody in Washington or anywhere else. This is not to attribute unnecessary egotism on our behalf, it is to ensure that others do not get blamed for campaigns which they were not officially attributed to.

So anyways, following the Garry Reid obfuscation revelations in POLITICO, The Daily Mail and The Debrief, we got the green light to change tactics and formulate pressure on Congress to pursue UAP hearings. We organised social media accounts to solely reflect UAP information alongside statements by Congress in our usual format (credit ‘Mike’ @UAP1949). We inputted data into the mainstream and created a situation of awareness that attempted to allow ‘non-UFO’ people to understand the reasons why hearings were taking place. Remember, Congress can only act

when they feel safe and supported to speak to this issue – understandably, they need to safeguard their own careers. They didn't not want to be seen as tin-foil hat wearing conspiracy theorists, but then who does, right?

Consequently, it was important for us to create a safe space within #UFOTwitter and within the mainstream media to allow them the to speak freely. UAP Activism was always precise, calculated and socially aware within the context of influential voices. Additionally, our collective efforts sometimes needed to be about social paradigms and expectation management as much as it was UFOs.

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Conclusions

Trying to tell the modern world that 'alien technology' exists and is zipping around the world in weirdly shaped craft is like trying to tell people that Independence Day wasn't so much a film as a possibility. People don't want to hear it. The very concept of extra-terrestrials (just one of various hypothetical non-human origins) is drenched in psychological stigma. The people of the world don't want to know about it and the governments don't want to tell it. In the middle of these two reluctant ideological groups are unfortunate people like myself and my colleagues at UAPMediaUK who have had the misfortune to be in the wrong place at the wrong time, or who have cognitive processes that are slightly different to the average Joe which allow them to be more susceptible to such UAP realities ahead of timely. Whatever pathway has led us to the anomalous phenomena is ultimately irrelevant as we are here now and without a choice. When you know this profound information, you have to tell it, you have to make the world know what you know. And why? Well because that the right thing to do…. *right?*
I'm guessing you already know how important UAP technology is for human development and how important the breakthroughs in science will be. Possibly, UAP 'warp bubble' technology will revolutionise propulsion travel and eliminate fossil fuels – and what if this significantly impacts how we deal with climate change? What if UAP technology completely rewrites how we understand quantum physics or interstellar travel? What if we master 'anti-gravity' and the vastly radical implications on almost every aspect of society? The medical and rehabilitation profession would be altered with no more bed

sores or manual hoisting and back-breaking transfer aids when the patient is ‘floated’ across the room. Imagine ‘hypersonic-dead stop’ propulsion technology applied into civilian aircraft – what once would take hours to reach Australia would take minutes. Imagine humans traveling to the Moon and Mars within half an hour and free from the dangers of exploding in mid atmosphere. What if we could use UAP technology to reach the stars and colonise other planets, begin terraforming and setting up outposts. What once was deemed science fiction in Star Trek could be science fact with UAP technology. As you will come to see or maybe even know, UAP technology is unbelievable, it is like magic. The five AATIP observables – hypersonic propulsion, anti-gravity (positive lift), transmedium travel, low observability and instantaneous acceleration are the basics of more verifiable abilities of anomalous phenomena. There are potential others, but less distinctive at this point in time (*transmophic* technology for example is still far from being understood).

The main point is that these abilities in technology are ‘non-human’ capabilities, they are beyond us now in 2022 as they were in 2004, 1997 or 1947. What is being reported by navy pilots is impossible, and yet very real which leads us to consider ‘alien technology’ as a serious hypothesis. Whatever or whoever this might be is unknown to us. Our collective stigma and internal pushback extend into science and national security with equal measure - we simply do not want to know the answers because we as a species are frightened of this unknown. This is very much the case when we subconsciously believe the anomalous might have a laser gun and anti-human agenda. But, they are here. They are here in 3-dimensional geometric shapes (from point of observation) no different to the two dimensional diagrams on my son's bedroom poster.

The UAP Revolution is almost like some alien Hollywood movie come to life and we all know what happens in those movies, we know it doesn’t end well for Earth. So we shut it down, we ignore and twist facts to ease our anxieties. Activists such as myself are threatened, mocked and laughed at because we push the status quo with something unbelievable, and who can blame them? We are labelled as tin-foil hat wearing conspiracy theorists and delusional, when all the while we were right (to a certain extent at least). Can you imagine what that has been like? To know that the anomalous phenomena is real and zipping around Earth when seven billion people not only disbelieve you, but think you are crazy for it also. Not an easy thing to live with. Over

the years I've been told that I'm weird, *watch too much Sci-Fi,* and believe in too much sillyness.

The truth, however is that I've been told personally by people within the intelligence community and scientists involved in UAP that there is a high probability that a non-human technology is here in our skies and our oceans operating with impunity and without acknowledgement.

They're here. Whatever they are.

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Chapter Twenty-Five: Congressional Hearings into Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena

The aim of Christopher Mellon, Luis Elizondo and other UAP Progressionists was seemingly to engage the American Congress. By getting to Congress with significant UAP data, you make them aware of the significance of the issue of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). Some analysts have theorised that the oversight committees for intelligence and defense were approached long before Elizondo took the stage with To The Stars Academy (TTSA) in the October of 2017. But there is nothing substantial to hold such claims. The official version, as we know and can prove, is that Elizondo quit his position at the Office of the Under Secretary for Defense Intelligence (OUSDI) in protest that the issue of UAP wasn't being taken seriously as a national security issue. Following his departure, he was free to engage the American public and most importantly, the American Congress. From there the briefings to Congress gathered momentum and Naval Intelligence began formal efforts of UAP transparency. The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) and the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) both were instrumental in the process. They were engaged. They wanted answers. They were determined to hold the UAP Obfuscators accountable.

The process had begun.

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TUESDAY

10th of May, 2022

'*Blood in the water.*'

When major UAP news comes down through the wire the first thing you do is confirm the date and authors. Then you read the title, absorb it and skim over the article taking in first impressions. The first read through starts to

give you an understanding of how significant this article might be and how far the implications will carry. Sometimes, and not very often, you get a feeling of something profound. My feeling upon skimming the article in the Times (1) that Tuesday morning was the same feeling I had with what occurred in December 2017 and The New York Times/POLITICO disclosure of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP). This was ground-breaking, possibly even eclipsing the very first UAP initiative articles wrote by Bender, Keen, Blumenthal and Cooper. When I read the article by The New York Times, the title was as follows; *'House Panel to Hold Public Hearings on Unexplained Aerial Sightings'*.

Instantly, the unequivocal feeling of significance dawned on me. This was what we had been pushing for in recent months with our Congressional campaign – not that I believe we had any direct influence on proceedings. But it was happening. For the first time in over 50 years the American Congress was holding hearings on Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). The session was scheduled in for Tuesday 17th of May, 2022 at 3pm GMT and would be authorised and held before the House Intelligence Committee's Counterterrorism, Counterintelligence, and Counterproliferation Subcommittee. The hearings came five months after the National Defense Authorization Act demanded in legislation that the United States military established a permanent UAP office. Keen and Blumenthal write in the Times (1) that scheduled witnesses for the DoD included Scott W. Bray - Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence and Ronald S. Moultrie - Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

What was the most interesting part was just how serious members of the House were taking the issue. Congressman Tim Burchett, who has a history of being outspoken about the UAP cover-up (2) (3), appeared earlier that week on News Nation's *'On Balance with Leland Vittert',* and again referred to the issue was being handled by the Pentagon as a *"bogus cover-up"*. What exactly is the Congressman referring to - we cannot be sure and how much is through personal belief and how much is through official briefings is also unclear. Historically, the United States Airforce (USAF) was always seen as the main obfuscators with the alleged withholding of 'significant information' from Project Bluebook - which was closed in 1969 as a result of the whitewash Edward Condon report. With regard to claims for more recent times, it has been the individuals from the OUSDI who have come under scrutiny. Unfortunately, we simply do not have the data to verify

who has done what, when, how or why. What we do know is that the Department of Defense (DoD) had five months to fully enact the legislation from the Gillibrand Amendment that was passed into law via the National Defense Authorisation Act in January 2022. The DoD had seemingly done no such thing and failed to apply their Airborne Object Identification Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG) into practice - with some sources even going as far to suggest that briefings were trying to dampen down the significance of UAP. Additionally, despite AOIMSG not delivering, the UAP task force was still underfunded, understaffed and set up to fail. Others behind the scenes have suggested that there has been a lack of effort from DoD leadership to fully address the outstanding issues of government accountability.

How much can be understood to the UASF's own lack of movement to UAP transparency? If we take the word of Christopher Mellon in his article on why the USAF have failed to take the issue seriously, we can see a contrast to the Navy who are *almost* being open and transparent. Some UAP analysts have even said that the origin(s) of the anomalous technological vehicles are not being investigated in an appropriate way by the Pentagon's AOIMSG. Senator Kirstin Gillibrand, who had been forcing the issue of UAP transparency in the early months of 2022, labelled the seriousness nature of the issue upon national security. Gillibrand has stated how *"burying our heads in the sand is neither a strategy nor an acceptable approach"* and has even pushed the new Inspector General to make himself aware of the UAP significance.

On the eve of the hearings, Bryan Bender reported in POLITICO (4) that a number of Congressional lawmakers were becoming frustrated that the Pentagon is still not taking the topic seriously, despite legal frameworks which are now in place. Arguably, this feet-dragging and slow walking has pushed the Congress to quickly take action against AOIMSG. Some have argued that the positioning of certain people in the Pentagon have but up barriers. The unpleasant, messy removal of the Director of Defense Garry Reid, reported first in April's ground-breaking *The Debrief* article (5), came following an Inspector General (IG) investigation. This IG complaint was submitted in May, 2021 by former the former director of the AATIP - Luis Elizondo and his legal team that included Daniel Sheehan. It was claimed that Reid (and others) had sought to discredit Luis Elizondo in a target campaign following Elizondo's resignation in 2017 in protest of UAP not being taken

seriously by DoD. As we know now, this was just a small part of a larger issue within DoD when it came to UAP. Seemingly, there was a culture designed to be openly against anything and everything UAP, and one which openly wasn't accountable to the American people or to Congress. The problem for the obfuscators, was that to continue the secrecy and to divert transparency efforts had become illegal.

Now we had a unique situation in which Congress had been briefed within their oversight committees - such as the SASC and SSCI – and were alarmed by the extreme situation. Those early briefings, strongly associated to be from Naval intelligence (6), are considered to have contained high-definition video, data and testimony of the anomalous that left no doubt in the minds of those who participated.

UAP analysts have suggested that those earlier briefings to Congress were less impressive to the briefings that were being presented to Congress in 2022, although without direct testimony from those in the briefings it can't be taken as fact. We don't know what occurred in those classified briefings. What we do know is that the Congress and American Senators became frustrated by the lack of action to uncover the origin of the anomalous and *"and not just more reports of their existence"* (7).

AOIMSG had failed before it had began. But then as Liberation Times writer Christopher Sharp would say, *"...it was set up to fail".*

Were the leaders of the American democratic system, who are accountable to the American people, being dismissed, lied too or obfuscated upon by the leaders of the military branch? We are told the closed doors hearings were not helpful to Congress. Some have argued they were designed to hide any suggestion that the anomalous phenomena were for lack of a better term, *alien*. But again, this was all rumour and speculation. Regardless, the frustration of Congress was felt within the public sphere. The 'alien' question is what the people want to know, this is what the Congress needs to know. Simply put, *"are we alone"?*

An interesting point that we can examine came from Congressman Adam Schiff, who was quoted by The New York Times as saying that UAP/UFOs represented *"...one of the great mysteries of our time and to break the cycle of excessive secrecy and speculation with truth and transparency."* Leading up to the hearings, it was clear by that point that Congress weren't going to let this slide. They knew, as we knew, exactly what this wasn't and potentially what this could be, what this meant for the

world and what it would mean for our understanding of humanities place in the universe. The Congressional hearings were the chance we had all been waiting for, it was the opportunity to hold the system accountable after 54 years and maybe start getting answers.

We were very much in new uncharted territory.

WEDNESDAY

11th of May, 2022

"The House always wins."

Less than one week until the hearings started and the tone across the UAP community had shifted dramatically. For months prior, an unrelenting campaign to discredit Lue Elizondo had become the entire focus of a small group who unfortunately were negative and noisy. They represented the poorly informed part of #UFOTwitter. Led pretty much by two people in particular, the attacks against Elizondo came due to the fact they didn't like the message he was sending – that UAP are real and should be studied by government. This group decided to shoot the messenger to kill the message. Everything AATIP, and their poor understanding of the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), was confabulated, merged and manipulated in ways to suit their own narrative. Frustratingly, this group of people were playing out the disinformation campaign of those at the DoD and OUSDI, in their efforts to stop Elizondo influencing Congress.

Ultimately however, they had failed.

The public interest in Congressional hearings

Wednesday started with the Twitter feed of The New York Times posting their own article about Congressional hearings. Our activism team on social media instantly set about boosting the views, likes and retweets of the NYT tweet using #UFOTwitter to once again gather support in the eye of the public. We ensured that UAP information and statements from high-ranking individuals was made available throughout the comments sections for anyone interested in understanding what had been happening. With regards to feedback, the majority of the questions from uniformed onlookers asked why there were public hearings into this issue. One of my favourite replies I saw in responding to the frequently asked question of *why*, was tweeted this in the

comments (8):

"....because they have been lying for decades and as of recently still obfuscating the new NDAA provision which sets up new UFO guidelines. There are those in the pentagon who had been fighting back and covering this up. People in Congress know this and are fed up."

- Tim Savage (@TimSava12727656), Twitter, (2022).

This is arguably the most accurate take and one that I personally believe right or wrong, this view also aligns with most UAP analysts. The obfuscation by some in the Department of Defense (DoD) – arguably including the USAF and OUSDI - from both a historic perspective and modern-day perspective had led Congress to take deliberate action. Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, Adam Schiff, was one of the main people driving the UAP initiative and took to Twitter himself (9) to state that there was much to learn about UAP and that *"...the American people deserve full transparency."*

This was a historic moment. This is the first time in modern history we see a high-ranking Congressional representative make open statements on Congressional hearings. With our support, his tweet that Tuesday morning received: 1,407 Retweets/445 Quote Tweets/7,488 Likes. This was closely followed by Mr. Mellon, who took to Twitter to pose his own personal thoughts on what should be asked in the hearings. He asked, *"do we have evidence of intelligently-controlled unknowns in orbit or in space?"* (10), a probing question which unfortunately would not be asked during the hearings. Bryan Bender had an article published in POLITICO also that Tuesday in which he quoted Congressman André Carson, who stated that the Congressional hearing will give the American people an opportunity to understand more about the unclassified incursions of UAP (11). Then in a Pentagon briefing on Tuesday, as tweeted by researcher Joe Murgia, Pentagon spokesman John Kirby said in a press conference that the Defense Department will attempt to ensure a *"better process for identifying these phenomena, analysing that information in a more proactive, coordinated way than it has been done in the past"* (12). Congressman Tim Burchett took to Twitter again to voice the importance of holding public hearings but wanted that they will be a waste of time of the Pentagon isn't forthcoming with the information they have. André Carson also tweeted his own views on the

hearings, stating that he would be leading them and acknowledging that this was the first time in over 50 years that UFOs had been in Congress. He advocated that the American people need to know more about what he referred to as *"unexplained occurrences"* (13). This was a unified, bipartisan effort from both Democrats and Republicans on each side of the House and Senate to push the significance of this issue.

For once they were in complete agreement, and for good reason.

MONDAY

16th of May, 2022.

'Congress asking about the 'A' word.'

Someone famous once said that the two biggest questions facing mankind are *'what happens when we die'*, and *'are we alone in the universe'*. Arguably, an answer to either of these would be unprecedented on a historic level. As strange and paradigm shifting as it may seem, we might be in a position to ask a serious question of the latter. We might be able to ask the serious question of whether there are *aliens*, putting it crudely. What would it mean for us as an intelligent species should it be disclosed or discovered in the next few years that we may not be alone? And even more alarming is to consider the notion that we might soon have an answer to whether we are alone right here on *this planet.* Yes, it is a delicate question that is hovering in front of us - but one which we need to follow should the science lead us there. Can we not muster the energy to ask if '*the advanced technology of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena represents something potentially non-human'?* Can we ask such an important question of ourselves?

If the answer to this question is *yes* - then that would become the biggest story in all of human history. Whether the world can handle this delicate information in an era of fake news and reality TV remains to be seen. Taking a closer look, the potential veracity hidden within the extreme 'extra-terrestrial' question comes through the radical ability of this unique technology. That simply put - we as humans cannot replicate this reported UAP technology, therefore, it is arguably not human.

We in the early 21st Century do not have 'anti-gravity', 'transmedium' vehicles or 'instantaneous acceleration-dead-stop' technology. For hypersonic anomalous objects to be able to descend rapidly from space and to ascend from the dark depths of Earth's oceans mean that we must

consider the non-human equation. This is the sum of all equations to which the answer is more important than any other. The sheer potential is incredibly significant within itself. *What is really engaging our Navy Pilots?* Are we genuinely dealing with something '*Alien'* in the non-human sense?

For those of us who have spent time in this obscure UAP research field, we know the incredible potential significance. As UAP researchers, we have spoken with scientists, program directors, members of the intelligence community, historians and journalists about what is happening with this issue. One theme that came up over and over is that almost all have concluded that Russia and China did not, and *do not*, have this technology. It is that extreme, almost like magic to us, and the Congressional oversight committees almost certainly know this. Additionally, foreign adversaries did not have this technology in 2015 during the USS Roosevelt case or during 2004 at the time of the USS Nimitz case. Certainly, no nation on Earth had this technology in the 1940s or 1950s when these same technological objects were being reported within the United States Airforce's Project Sign, Grudge and then Bluebook.

The anomalous phenomena play cat and mouse with our rather alarmed Navy Pilots and also engage military vessels for hours at a time but then will simply disappear without a trace. Sometimes down to the ocean, up into space, or sometimes they dematerialise from reality completely. Understandably, this may seem far-fetched, but it is what is being conveyed behind the scenes and what Congress is facing. They are literally dealing with pure science-fiction that has suddenly come to life.

We must consider how far are Congress willing to go on this issue? Will they decide the world isn't ready? Maybe they will determine UAP technology is somehow Russian - as highly unlikely as that may seem - and that measures need to be taken in that respect.

Congressional interest in UFOs?

As early as the summer of 2018 I was writing about the Congressional interest and potential closed-door briefings following the disclosures of AATIP and the massive mainstream interest that followed. But what did we know? Some UAP analysts have assumed that sometime prior to 2017/2018 some in Congress were being made aware of the UAP issue in the dark corners of Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities (SCIF) within the

Pentagon. We don't know this for sure. In fact we know very little about who knew what, and who was brought into any potential initiative prior to what was made public in 2019.

For certain, we do know that as the UAP initiative was progressed forward through the years 2017-2022 with various UAP briefings. These were at the classified level (14) (15) (16) (17). We know that legislation was written in 2019 to allow pilots to document their sightings (18). We know that as a consequence, the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) was created by DoD to investigate anomalous technology (19). We know that a Director of National Intelligence focused preliminary report on UAP was produced for Congress in summer of 2021 that showed 143/144 objects couldn't be identified (20). Most of these objects were 'classified shapes'. We know that Congress created a permanent UAP Office within the Department of Defense (DoD) to fully investigate the issue (21). And we know that the Congress weren't satisfied with DoD and their slow walk efforts – hence the emerging Congressional hearings that started Tuesday May 17th, 2022.

After all of this, Congress believes in *something*. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) are starting to believe and acknowledge *something*. We just don't know *what* that something is – and no, despite the more outlandish conspiracy theorist claims - Congress haven't been tricked into believing in UFOs.

There was an interesting statement from Congressman Adam Schiff (22) in 2021 on Reddit that rhetorically replied *"Aliens?"* in response to a question about his biggest surprise of 2021. At the time it was laughed off as a joke, but now we are considering that this was very serious. Although, we should ask, does it actually mean Congress really believes that UAP are alien? Arguably, they are not giving an open interpretation of origin and seemingly are looking to DoD to give an accurate assessment of the situation.

Consider this hypothetical situation - DoD can't legally lie to Congress because heads will roll and people will go to jail. DoD also cannot officially *identify* UAP - because let's say that UAP are genuinely *unidentifiable*. Then consider that UAP are unidentifiable because they are disappearing from radar, some travel at incredible rates of speed upwards into the atmosphere, others travel below the ocean, and then some simply disappear completely. If DoD cannot identify their origin and they cannot identify their final destination and cannot attribute the vehicles to any known

country - then what do they say to Congress about origin? As stated in The Hill, the upcoming series of Congressional UAP hearings would indeed focus on this important issue and the unknown objects (23). The first hearing would focus on the task force's preliminary UAP report from 2021 as a baseline, probing unclassified questions and answers into what constituted the dynamics of the report. We never really thought the DoD to lie through omission or play the plausible deniability card - but maybe we should have expected them to.

As that is exactly what would happen.

TUESDAY

17th of May, 2022

'We have arrived.'

The Northeast coastal town of Radcliffe was basked in sunshine on a beautiful cloudless Tuesday. High above the hospital a lone Seagull spread its wings and soared with the rising warm air, occasionally swooping before once again gliding effortlessly. As I momentarily watched from the open balcony, I could see that the bird circled upward and then over toward the distant beach and finally disappeared over the North Sea. Smiling to myself, I considered the distance and clarity against the deep blue sky as my thoughts turned to white 'Tic-Tac' object which was now the most important UAP case in history. And then I remember considering how important the testimony of Alex Dietrich and David Fravor have been on influencing the mainstream and also Congress. I wondered what the day would bring. I also wondered if the Nimitz case would ever reach open hearings?

Here in Northern England, the afternoon of the hearing itself was hot to the point of being uncomfortable. And while most of the UAPMediaUK team were not at work and free to watch the hearing, I was at the hospital with only the occasional update to hand. As I managed to get working the little 'R2-D2' unit (that was actually just a clunky box air cooling fan), I sat and considered the implications of what an open session could do for this topic. This was the first hearing and reminded me of the UAPTF/DNI preliminary report from 2021. It was very the start and always just a baseline. This was an opening gambit that would allow further hearings to occur and press home issues that DoD might not want to come forward about. This was arguably an important step to take for the UAP initiative as it also was a

process by which DoD were openly, and, officially on the record. The moment had arrived after 54 years. And while the last hearings faulted to the gleeful Airforce dismissal of ‘Swamp Gas’, the Congress this time were not only ready and waiting – it is strongly suggested that they already knew the anomalous technology existed.

But did they have the stomach for this fight?

#UFOTwitter in Congress

The hearings had begun. Within the opening few minutes, Congressman André Carson had already mentioned Ufologist, researcher, and filmmaker Jeremy Corbell by name. Corbell of course was the person who leaked the videos in 2021 regarding the West Coast incursions of 2019. Next up was Congressman Adam Schiff who was talking about revolutionary technology that defied the laws of physics with propulsion that didn’t have discernible means. He did so with a straight face. Congress had set out their stall with purposeful intent to get the truth, no matter where it led – they requested nothing but the same from the two high ranking military men in front of them.

That was quite a staggering moment for me personally. In the heat of the humid side room, situated on the first-floor wing of a grand hospital, I seem to remember being in shock. Then clumsily I somehow dropped the notes that I was carrying as my mind tried to accept that a sitting Congressman had openly called out the anomalous technology for what it was. In the first ten minutes we had already surpassed the previous hearings of the 1960s. And better still, the world instantly heard their words thanks to social media. How does one come back from that?

As the hearing proceeded however, it became more apparent that the two military guys from the Department of Defense had zero intention of providing any real truth to Congress and the American people. It was an unofficial standoff. The Congressional US House Intelligence Committee's subcommittee on counterterrorism, counterintelligence, and counterproliferation was taking on the OUSDI via Ronald Moultrie and the Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence (DDNI) Scott Bray. Bray and Moultrie were good, a double act who answered within the dynamics of the modern-day UAPTF and didn’t give anything away they didn’t want to. As the hearing proceeded to unfold, Bray and Moultrie dampened down the extreme

nature of the anomalous technology, stated by Congressman Schiff, and focused on associating air-trash and possible Unidentified Aerial Systems (UAS). They attempted to explain away much of the 143 cases from the preliminary report as insufficient data – meaning that with sufficient data they would be explained adequately – a very famously used tactic from the Condon report of 1968.

The USS Russell 'Pyramid' and Bokeh

Next up, the two high ranking DoD officials attended to explain-away the USS Russell 'Pyramids' video as *Bokeh*, stating relatively confidently that they had adequately explained the video leaked by Corbell in 2021. Although they didn't use the word Bokeh directly, they did infer it.

**Bokeh is an out of focus light aberration that occurs under certain camera filters and can make ban external light source appear as a circle or triangle depending on what filter is used.*

Essentially, under such conditions, a misidentified object in the night sky can be displayed as a Bokeh 'triangle' – as suggested by Bray and Moultrie in the hearing. Simply put, it is an out-of-focus camera trick of the light and not a true representation of the actual objects true shape. Mick West is credited with *debunking* the USS Russell as Bokeh in 2021. However, if Bray and Moultrie are to be believed the objects around the USS Russell were *drones*, not distant planes as argued by some debunkers.

Of course, there is a problem with this explanation. Firstly, why were Bray and Moultrie using other additional videos to show examples of the Bokeh effect when they had access to the UAPTF reports and Navy personnel testimony of what the USS Russell objects were. They already had that direct data to draw upon, so why were they treating it like a cold case and debunking it in the same way YouTube people might? And then there was the issue of insufficient data. At no point in the hearing did Bray or Moultrie refer back to sources available data or testimony from those who were there those evenings in July 2019. Also, we must consider the problem of the leaks that were disclosed in early 2021 – the videos of USS Russell and the USS Omaha (both released in 2021 by Corbell). The USS Russell 'Pyramids' were apparently used in classified briefings within the United States government and shown to be actual flying Pyramids. Arguably, this video was the easiest

to debunk because it held no additional data. The USS Omaha and the 'Spherical' object video, on the other hand, was apparently ignored because there was too much released data confirming the veracity of that case. At least that is what we are told.

Obfuscation and omission

Details from the hearing stated that 400 encounters had been reported going back to 2004, with 11 near misses. And yet the UAP Task Force had only two staff members working for eighteen months work with limited access to funding and classified information – and zero data from the Airforce (24). And yes, we can ask again *where the hell are the Airforce in all of this?*

The two-man task force that was originally led by Elizondo's former deputy Jay Stratton, was very clearly set up to fail, and was not able to provide the requirements that the legislation demanded - as per the NDAA signed into law January 2022. This became very apparent during the Congressional hearing when nothing substantial was provided for Congress besides amateur debunking that any YouTuber might have done. Most of the technical talk from Bray and Moultrie during the hearing was intentional, as though one was sitting through a very complex, meaningless, boring lecture on something you wouldn't necessarily care about. More so, I've sat through lectures in the past where the aim of the lecturer was to seemingly kill you with boredom – this was very similar. The attitude of these high-ranking officials wasn't that of anything urgent or serious and certainly didn't reflect that UAP represented something alien or even a threat to Navy Pilots beyond 'air trash'.

With regards to the specific question posed by Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi about attempts to '*communicate'* with UAP, the deceptively worded response came from Mr. Bray who all but stated that some the objects were 'air-trash' such as balloons, and who tries to communicate with a balloon? Honestly, as I watched some of the hearings unfold, I felt there was a strong underlying effort to misdirect the truth and present a narrative which refused to focus solely on the anomalous phenomena.

The spark of enthusiasm and urgency in the hearing came from Congress, and in particular Congressman Mike Gallagher who held fire to the feet of the two DoD gentleman and came away with the respect of Ufology of nothing else. When Gallagher asked about the Wilson documents, the world

of Ufology stopped and held its breath. These documents that hit the #UFOTwitter circuit in 2019 but were rejected by various researchers, myself included. As I stated at the time, '*we can't use them in activism efforts'*. It wasn't that I didn't believe in their validity, it is just that they were very much Ufology in nature and being honest probably didn't give them the attention they deserved. Thus, when I'd shown them to journalists in my contacts they rejected them, particularly when those in directly involved wouldn't elaborate. Giuliano Marinkovic, Billy Cox, Richard Dolan, Joe Murgia, Chris Wolford and James Iandoli in particular must be credited had pushed the significance some two years prior and now has their reward as the documents were reported as public record.

The Wilson Documents

This was something nobody expected. Congress asking tentatively about crash retrieval programs without asking about it directly. As touched upon in the flash-forward part of Chapter thirteen: '*Congressional briefings and off world vehicles'*, the Wilson documents (WD) symbolised the real story of Ufology and the past 70 years of government interest in UFOs. And this meant crash retrievals of other worldly vehicles. To be able to harness the UAP technology and apply it within defense programs and contractors was the golden goose – some have claimed it was a secret worth lying for and even worth dying for. More appropriately, it was a secret that many took to their graves and upon their deathbeds refuted the notion, as they had always done. The Wilson documents represented the pericardial secrecy surrounding the heart, provided that is, there is any truth to the entire saga. Additionally, and without doubt they represent the 'Core Secret' which is the foundations of ufology itself - the very essence conspiracy and distrust of the system that is drenched in classification. Thus, the secrecy itself has become its own monster and developed over seventy years in ways which manipulated and twisted the fabric of the democratic process. Speaking with any American, they are always proud to tell you of their democratic political history and how it is something they gave to the world. It therefore becomes a very difficult truth to unearth from that perspective and isn't simply about lights in the sky – it is about lies on the ground.

The 'Core Secret' is that UFOs exist, are non-human and the American government scooped up the crashed discs from the 1940s/1950s

and hid them away in the classified programs. The Wilson documents do not provide conclusive proof that the United States government has in its possession crashed materials of extra-terrestrial origin. What they do provide is a window for us to look through and to glimpse at something we may not wish to see. Admiral Wilson's denial of revealing state secrets to Eric Davis have been in place for a long time. The thinking is that the Senate may provide amnesty and immunity from prosecution in exchange for his/their testimony and they may do it within the year 2022. But what might be said under oath?

Defense intelligence agency director Tom Wilson allegedly spoke to Eric Davis in 2002. The conversation was documented in 13 pages of notes afterwards by Davis. Contained within, Wilson talks about his attempts to uncover details about a Special Access Program (SAP) within the U.S. defence department that dealt with back engineering of extra-terrestrial craft and bodies. This might have seemed incredibly surreal to anyone looking in who isn't well versed in Ufology folklore, but the truth is that this issue was discussed during the hearings between Congress and the Department of Defense. What was becoming clear, was that Congress seemed to have an agenda as they pressed forward.

The following questions asked resulted in acknowledgement from Moultrie that both Bluebook and AATIP were real, but also the Pentagon admitted that within the 45 years separating those two programs had no official programs. This is problematic as there are strong suggestions that not only have there been historical UAP programs within the DoD and defense contractors but some of these are in operation today. Here we have a unique, unprecedented situation in which Congress may have been briefed about crash retrieval UFO programs and the Pentagon is saying they don't exist. However, the eagle-eyed observers might have also noticed that the answers given were very intelligently worded and sent back to Congressional representatives.

For example, the question of crash retrievals and possession of other worldly material was only answered in relation to the past 18 months under the UAPTF. Bray and Moultrie stated the UAPTF has no recovered materials from extra-terrestrials. This is correct, the task force doesn't have crashed materials, but the legacy SAP potentially does. Also let us consider that prior to the hearing, Congressman Tim Burchett also claimed that wreckage from UFOs seen flying over the U.S. had been recovered. He stated that "*multiple*

sources" had informed him of that fact but did not elaborate further (25).

Amnesty and immunity from prosecution for these types of witnesses is surely needed. Admiral Wilson has purportedly stated in the alleged Wilson Document notes that he will deny the search for SAP if he would be asked about it, and, that he will not talk about it with people who doesn't have proper clearance. In the last interview with Billy Cox, the former Admiral Wilson confirmed that Congress had reached out to him prior to the first UAP Congressional hearings (2022) and said they wanted to introduce legislation which would allow him to speak freely. Despite this, he continued to say this was a nothing issue - as he has done for the past few decades. Incidentally, this turned out to be correct with legislation revealing in July 2022 that Congress were preparing to have people come forward under amnesty to testify.

UAP and the nuclear connection

One of the major parts of the UAP mystery is their strong association to nuclear technology. Nuclear powered Navy vessels, nuclear facilities, nuclear experiments, nuclear submarines and nuclear weapons have a long history of UAP reports. The most famous case in history is the Malmstrom Airforce base nuclear incursion from 1968 in which nuclear missile silos were simultaneously switched on after a large glowing red-orb hovered above the base. This case was brought up by Congressman Gallagher to the dismissive response of *'we don't act upon outside sources'* – however the shocking part of this was that DoD *were* the source. The report came from them and into the public via a Freedom of Information Act request. It was their own Airforce officers who reported the incident.

Lying or gross negligence, the DoD were in trouble either way. It was seemingly apparent that Congress already knew about these cases beforehand. And as Lue Elizondo stated to the 'Need To Know Podcast,' the day after the hearing: *"Congress are painting a box around DoD"* (26). There will be more hearings and what was stated by DoD's Bray and Moultrie will be held accountable in time. As Schiff said, *"...they'll be very careful not to speculate that this is something extra-terrestrial"* (27) which is exactly what happened. And you might also consider that after 70 plus years of denial and obfuscation, the Pentagon will continue to deny the existence of the anomalous phenomena. In the end, it is up to the American Congress and

we the people to demand that the Department of Defense start falling in line with the law and acknowledge whatever is here with us.

The aftermath

Former United States Navy Pilot Ryan Graves was at the hearings with journalist Leslie Kean and Congressman Tim Burchett. All spoke to the media immediately after the proceedings. Fox News put out a story the following day which included the statements of Graves (28). He was seemingly the advocate for his military colleagues who were and still are encountering these anomalous technological objects. Interestingly, he stated to the entire media that the objects in question were dark grey/ black 'cubes within spheres' that were an estimated 15-20 feet in diameter. This was the first time we had heard about the size before, and probably the first time some of the stunned reporters had even considered the implications. Chad Underwood, a former Navy Airman who was part of the USS Nimitz Encounters from 2004 and filmed the famous 'FLIR1' video of the 'Tic-Tac', was interviewed by Tucker Carlson (29) following the hearings. Underwood praised the efforts to get the issue out into the public. However, not everyone was satisfied. Congressman Tim Burchett mirrored the thoughts of some in Ufology as he stated, "*...we got hosed*", in response to a social media question. He gave an open interview to a shocked looking media in which he lambasted the response of the DoD's Moultrie and Bray to Congressional questions. Burchett also referred to the hearings as a *"total joke"*, and said he wanted to hear from people who had encountered the anomalous phenomena. In the week after, our EndUAPSecrecy campaign reached out to Mr. Burchett and requested that Luis Elizondo be called up to Congressional hearings (after I got the ok to do so). He replied via social media to say if it was up to him that he would. The activism campaign we ran changed direction and pressured people to write and email their various Senators to call up Elizondo and testify on AATIP in open hearings.

As our team monitored the climate, we found that the mainstream media's response was mostly positive towards the first hearing and UAP in general. We researched and found that mainstream media articles within America, Britain, France, Germany, Brazil, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Canada, Australia, Sweden, Norway, Belgium and the Netherlands covered UAP in the month of 'miraculous May'. Summed up primarily by an article written in

‘The Hill’ and which stated that, *“...from this moment forward, turning a blind eye to these sightings would be not only irresponsible but a dereliction of duty”*.

In the United Kingdom, ‘*The Independent*’ ran a livestream, ‘*The Guardian*’ covered the hearing without stigma but lacked in-depth knowledge beyond the report from 2021. Although admittedly, it was disappointing to see that some media, such as the BBC, played the ‘*no extra terrestrials, nothing to see here,*’ card, others were more up to speed on the issue of UAP and the overall reporting from America was better. Harris, wrote a decent piece in the Washington Post (30) with an article that was titled, ‘*UFO hearing features historic testimony from Pentagon officials’*. The content of his article, while covering the facts of the hearings, didn’t shy away from drawing attention to the metaphorical 500-pound alien floating above the room. Despite the more rational coverage of the UAP issue, the generic acceptance that we might be dealing with something non-human is distinctly lacking from most coverage. The media are only now slightly considering the very small possibility of ‘extra-terrestrials’ - as they insist on calling the issue but fail to grasp the implications of the last 70 plus years. The extensive research from with the UAP research and activism community, housed on #UFOTwitter, proposes that the origin of the anomalous phenomena might be much more complex. However, the mainstream aren't exactly up to speed with anything other than *aliens from another planet*. I suppose in a way, the process of UAP is as much about allowing an in-depth rational conversation to occur over the coming years, decades and even centuries as it is about getting the President or NASA to agree it is real.

Later that day, a Pentagon press conference was held. The often-uncomfortable John Kirby was asked about ‘Unidentified Submerged Objects’ (31) to which he stated that he wouldn’t discuss classified material in an open forum. Make no mistake, USOs present a massive part of this issue with the transmedium technologies at the forefront of the investigation being engaged by Congress.

Elsewhere, famed physicist Dr. Michio Kaku stated that we now have, *“...testable, reproducible, and hopefully falsifiable evidence that something is happening in the skies”* (32). Kaku, is a respected and well-known scientist in the public eye and to be fair to him has spoke openly about UFOs previously. Dr. Kaku, Dr. Avi Loeb and Dr. Eric Weinstein are an embodiment of the scientific community’s genuine search for truth, even

when the data takes us to dark, strange, uncomfortable places.

Following the hearing, Raja Krishnamoorthi, another motivated Congressperson tweeted the importance of inter-agency cooperation to safeguard national security following the revelations that there had been 11 near misses (33). Whatever the American Congress had seen in those briefings had them gripped. They were unified across the political spectrum in their focus on an issue which the world deemed a crazy conspiracy theory. But the world would soon come to understand that what we are dealing with is revolutionary. And that is putting it mildly.

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Conclusions

Understanding the enormity of the first hearing in five decades should be judged by its merit and as time passes this will be acknowledged in time by the world. The UAP Revolution was now a part of history like at no other point and the hard work within Washington D.C. was paying off after years of battling for the public's perception. The Congressional hearing represented an effort of accountability by the American government to at last take seriously the issue of UAP after 54 years. They are a direct result of the tireless work by Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon (and others on their various teams). The hearings are now just beginning and have the distinct potential to act as a vessel for disclosure – which is a global acknowledgment that a non-human technology/intelligence is here on Earth. This was the successful result of efforts by Navy Pilots to have their encounters known, acknowledged and vindicated. This was the Congress representatives, the intelligence oversight committees and the Senators who risked their careers to have the conversation. Also, this was everyone who fought every single day for the truth. The Congressional hearings are just the start of the mainstream process of accountability and acceptance. While the early UAP initiative 2017-2022 is now a part of an open timeline, the testimony and direct efforts of everyone involved should never be forgotten. Much in the same way the Congressional hearings that started in 1966 are still debated to this day after a series of unusual sightings occurred in the state of Michigan. They are apart of history now and forever.

The very first hearing on Tuesday, 17th of May was historic and set the scene

for further hearings. Whether a clever ploy, or the unintentional parroting of non-credible Ufology conspiracies, we still did not know what the true intentions/strategic plan of Congress was following the conclusion of the hearing. The mention of the nuclear connection, the crash retrieval documents and the transmedium technology - which isn't understood by modern day physics, brought more questions than answers. What was touched upon by Congress was the 'Core Story' or the 'Core Secrets' of UFO history and Ufology. Interestingly, this Congressional approach was not in accordance with UAP history, which starts with 2004 and the USS Nimitz encounters. However, as mentioned throughout our book, this was always our plan in civilian activism as we strategised. To use a Trojan Horse approach that presented the concept of UAP as advanced foreign technology from the outside – but contained the non-human anomalous phenomena on the inside. Essentially, we were using UAP as a gateway drug to UFOs. And now with Congress, we were inside the Pentagon's castle walls at last. We believers had arrived, and the pseudo-sceptics knew it. They were repulsed by the very concept that UFOs were real, and they hated it. Realising the process was hitting hard and true they scurried through the dark corners of their discord, trying to find the slightest piece of dirt on AATIP or AAWSAP. But it was all too late. The battle for Congress was over, the data was there and accepted. Activists who had long been attacked, stigmatised, doxed and bullied for four years sat back and took just a moment to breathe out. At last, as our fight was now the fight of Congress.

Essentially, the Congressional hearings represented the pinnacle and culmination of the UAP Revolution. They are confirmation by the highest levels in the American government that the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena are real and a potential threat to national security. Yes, this was the successful result of efforts by Navy Pilots to have their encounters known. This was the efforts and sacrifices of Luis Elizondo and Christopher Mellon and the many unacknowledged intelligence officials who will probably never be given the praise they deserve. This was the Congress representatives, the intelligence oversight committees and the Senators who risked their careers to have the conversation. Also, this was everyone who fought every single day for the truth. The Congressional hearings are just the start of the mainstream process of accountability and acceptance. While the early UAP initiative 2017-2022 is now a part of history, the testimony of efforts of everyone involved should never be forgotten. As we have been told

countless times, this was always a process to allow the right people to accept, acknowledge, and digest the enormity of the issue so that they can safeguard Western societies. We are told this is the start and more hearings are coming. The right questions need to be asked, the right witnesses need to be called up and most importantly there needs to be legislation which allows people to speak openly at the unclassified level. Amnesty for whistle-blowers was coming.

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Chapter Twenty-Six: NASA starts investigating the Anomalous Phenomena

The entire baseline of the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) Revolution/Initiative was to reach critical mass or what can be considered the 'event horizon' of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) disclosure. Essentially, this can be defined as the point where there is no going back to how it once was prior to 2017. The toothpaste will not go back into the tube and the cat will not go back into the bag. The concept of UFO disclosure goes from being hypothetical to a mathematical certainty. This is what we mean when we say critical mass has been reached. It is when enough people in the world know that the anomalous phenomena are potentially non-human and recognise the significance. Ultimately, there will come a point in which the process cannot be stopped and it will become self-sustaining. Some have argued we already reached that point in January 2022 when President Biden signed into law the NDAA and the UAP legislation, others have suggested it was when Congress started being briefed in 2018 and before. Alternatively, from a deterministic perspective we can argue this initiative was always determined to happen from the day this anomalous technology first appeared in our skies. Regardless, we are undoubtedly approaching a point in the process where the controlled 'process disclosure' aspect becomes a form of 'event disclosure'. This means that suddenly the anomalous phenomena's existence goes viral and must be commented upon seriously by current world leaders as a current world issue. If we pursue this course of action, if we continue to push Congress and provide the mainstream with credible data, then UFO disclosure does become a mathematical certainty within the next few years. This was no more apparent than during the Congressional hearing on UAP which signalled the direct intent and serious nature of this unchecked and unaccounted for technology. If serious accountability was ever required, and if critical mass was about wide spread public awareness and acceptance, then one major administration would need to be directly involved.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration - (NASA).

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THURSDAY
09th of June, 2022
'NASA.'

Thirteen days prior, on the 27th of May, an article had appeared in the Daily Mail newspaper by Josh Boswell, titled '*EXCLUSIVE: One giant leap for NASA! National space agency confirms it is joining the investigation of UFOs after previously refusing to partake in active search for unidentified aerial phenomena – days after historic congressional hearing'* (1). The story broke from a very good tip off, which no doubt had former UAPMediaUK member Christopher Sharp involved somehow, and was ahead of the game. Two days later on Sunday the 29th of May, Sharp's Liberation Times reported on the involvement by NASA (2), much to the disbelief from various Ufologists. Sources from within the inside stated that the Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG) effort had requested footage from NASA cameras during space missions as part of its investigation. When NASA was contacted, a spokesperson confirmed the space agency was, '*evaluating how to provide our expertise in space-based Earth observations to improve understanding of UAPs'*. However, due to the anonymous sources involved and the fact that a tabloid had scooped such a big story, the world of Ufology did its usual self-entitled routine of dismissing the news. But it was true, NASA was now involved with UFOs.

Official NASA acknowledgment

If there was any ever doubt that this whole initiative was about disclosure, then it was put to rest that Thursday afternoon. Dan Zetterstrom messaged the group to say that NASA had released a statement - a quite astonishing statement indeed. They (NASA) were formulating a team to investigate UAP. However, they also stipulated in their official statement that there is no evidence that UAP meant *extra-terrestrials* (3) (4). When pushed by Gadi Schwartz and other mainstream journalists in the YouTube question and answer session, NASA stated that this was because the historical UFO data was poor. They were approaching the issue with a blank slate, something Ufology hadn't been able to replicate effectively for all those long years. The theme behind this 'rich-poor-data' formula was to firstly evaluate how to turn 'poor data' into 'rich data' through the implementation of the scientific

process. Secondly, another aim was to de-stigmatise the conversation of UAP for Navy personnel, allowing them to come forward. The 'rich data' comes through the military incursion reports, as opposed to civilian data. This is not to say there is no value in Ufology cases, but ultimately, they fail to hold the same standards as those cases with a vast array of sensory data. By NASA stating that they were investigating the anomalous phenomena, essentially, they meant they are green-lighting the entire issue. At last, it was now acceptable to openly discuss UFOs and 'aliens' because NASA said it was ok (although technically we aren't talking specifically about aliens, we are talking about a genuine mystery which is yet to be understood, and understanding this comes through detailed investigation).

The initial budget was a surprisingly low $100'000, which raised questions. However, Thomas Zurbuchen – the associate administrator of the Science Mission Directorate at NASA – confirmed this initial project was to determine how they were going to move forward and which data to look at. The NASA UAP team would be led by David Spergel, who commented that, "*...we will be identifying what data from civilians, government, non-profits, companies, exist and how to best analyse it"*.

Spergel went on to say that NASA is open to the possibility that UAP might be multiple phenomena. Whatever the origin, NASA was now in the very beginning process of formal investigation – something unheard of in 2017 and something we never thought was possible. From the perspective of a UAP Activist, having NASA acknowledge the anomalous phenomena meant a massive boost to our campaign. And this was just the beginning.

NASA's history with UFOs

Putting it bluntly, NASA has no credible history with acknowledging UFOs. Many Ufologists came to label them as '*Never A Straight Answer'*, with questions over how much they were telling the truth about what they knew regarding the anomalous phenomena. Within the UFO world there was much longterm distrust of NASA. My own experiences of the NASA live feed aboard the International Space Station (ISS) was confirmed by many others. I have personally watched the live feed as strange objects would approach the ISS before the feed would be cut to a blue screen, only for the live feed to return 5-10 minutes later with the object gone. That did happen, I saw it with my own eyes. However, this is not to say NASA was hiding evidence of

aliens, or who knows, maybe they were?

But I always took it that there were highly classified satellites orbiting our atmosphere and there would be a policy to stop foreign nations seeing something which came under the bracket of national security. Was it possible that the most well-funded and well-known space agency in history had no idea this phenomenon was occurring? Was it also possible that there was data collected by the civilian agency which held evidence of this technology existing? How could this all be real and NASA not know?

Arguably, the probability exists that NASA had evidence of the anomalous phenomena as it entered/exited the upper atmosphere, but additionally they might not of had a specific department which analysed such data sets and concluded that the fast-moving object which completed 90 degree turns before disappearing.

Who knows? Maybe a part of NASA knew exactly what was happening and was covertly operating under specific jurisdiction of the DoD? We just do not know what the real history of NASA has been these past 64 years since it was established in 1958. There have been many unverified conspiracies, including secret space programs and ventures to Mars, *apparently*. Others have claimed NASA has hidden evidence of an 'orange alien lady' that were somehow posted to YouTube. Some have claimed there are ancient alien bases on the far side of the moon and that this information has been hidden. Famously a lady called Donna Harris claimed at the Disclosure Project in 2001, that NASA technicians were airbrushing photos of UFOs as early as the 1960s. These claims are often taken as gospel by Ufology, however NASA UFO conspiracies are ultimately stories we cannot verify.

Ultimately, this is all conspiracy and speculation resulting from a lack of acknowledgment. Whether any of this is true is questionable. What is important here is that Ufology distrusts NASA and adopts the conspiracies based on a lack of open transparency. Going forward this trust needs to be built between both Ufology and the mainstream on this particular issue. On this issue, NASA needs to be able to adequately show to the public why it didn't investigate the anomalous phenomena for 64 years when they potentially had the data set available. Failure to answer questions can result in wider distrust and backlash. Thus, the 'alien' card must be managed very carefully with every statement worded diligently.

Managing the socio-psychology of extra-terrestrials

NASA stated in their announcement that they had no evidence that UAP are extra-terrestrial in nature. This was very clever strategy from them and promoted our own reframing campaign. By sidestepping the extra-terrestrial dilemma, they avoided the swarm of 'event-disclosure' themed questions and a rash of narrative debunkers/believers banging on the door to verify their own world view. Consequently, NASA were free to operate and investigate the anomalous phenomena without the circus. It also allowed for a slow indoctrination process, the one our own campaigns had been advocating.

The '*Hail to Vega*' event disclosure pathway that was so accurately depicted in the 1997 film 'Contact' was seemingly to be avoided at all costs. If we consider that UAP information is potentially so radical, so extreme at its core that there is no way our collective society won't be changed in ways not yet conceived. How many pseudo-religious cults will be born and situated around little grey android beings? How many anti-government, anti-establishment factions will be formed around 'New World Order' conspiracies? There would need to be vast interventions to safeguard the various societal institutions of humanity. There are very serious consequences to releasing certain information in certain ways. Hence why it is important for us to understand what the DoD, NASA and Congress are facing.

Consequently, NASA will deal with unclassified information, and not be tied in the same restricted methodology by which the Department of Defense is required to hide information under the guise of national security. At least not on the same level. For the world to accept that we are dealing with something anomalous, they needed to see a process unfold which included the military and NASA – just like any Hollywood alien movie. The main difference is that the phenomena is incredibly more complex than extra-terrestrials, although this should also be a hypothetical consideration. Additionally, the NASA statement that claimed there is no evidence to state that UAP are extra-terrestrial might also force the world to step back and consider alternative non-human origins for the anomalous phenomena. However, I personally feel that currently, this issue is far too complex for the public to understand beyond '*aliens from another planet*'. In theory, this could be part of the slow process and that such conclusions about non-human technology would come through thorough investigation.

MONDAY

13th of June, 2022

'British mainstream.'

Famed British astronaut Tim Peake spoke to 'Good Morning Britain' that Monday morning (5). Amazingly, Peake declared to the British mainstream, that alongside NASA investigating UFOs and the American Congress holding hearings, there was a potential for UAP to be non-human. Astonishingly, a famous British astronaut declared that on national television. That was real, it happened. This was significant for us in the U.K. to have presenters Richard Madeley and Susanna Reid announce that the UAP technology has been taken very seriously. This was essentially the accumulation of our work presented and acknowledged by a respected British Astronaut, a big step for us as a country in our journey towards acceptance.

WEDNESDAY

23rd of June, 2022.

'Multiple PhDs.'

One day after the Elizondo Inspector General complaint report was released to social media, the next big news quickly hit. Dr. Travis Taylor came forward as the lead scientist for the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena Task Force (UAPTF) – the effort which proceeded the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP) but came before AOIMSG. The news was disclosed by Journalist George Knapp (6) and came to a flurry of the usual Ufology meltdowns. Due to Travis Taylor's association and main role to the History program 'Skinwalker Ranch', he was instantly vilified much to the annoyance of those behind the scenes who didn't want the *'Woo'* association with the UAPTF. The reality is that Dr. Taylor holds two PhDs, two Master's degrees and a Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He was more to than qualified to investigate UAP incursions for the United States Government, and ironically was much more appropriate than the debunkers who hadn't any qualifications. However, the UAP initiative has always held a psycho-social factor in public relations management. After all, UAP needed to be reframed as credible as any little flaw would be used to attack the entire issue.

FRIDAY

24th of June, 2022.
'World UFO Day.'

It has been 75 years since Kenneth Arnold's sighting over Mount Rainier in which nine, shiny half-crescent vehicles flew past at speeds that were estimated to be 1,200 miles an hour. Since then the world has internally struggled to accept the reality of this technology, despite thousands and thousands of sightings and encounters across every country in the world. Coincidence would have it that on World UFO Day (24th of July), and a Friday in late June, the Brazilian government would hold open hearings into the UFO phenomenon. They occurred as a result of the UAP initiative and interestingly – but not surprisingly - would receive zero mainstream coverage. The hearings in the Brazilian Senate brought a lot more data than their Northern counterparts had the previous month (7). The history of Brazilian UFO encounters was covered with detail, which, included the infamous Colares case of 1977. This case along with others suggest a menacing UAP presence in which the objects in question caused intentional harm to the people they encountered.

Unfortunately, however, nothing happened within the mainstream media and zero attention was given. There was no coverage of this hearing or the events because of the subject matter lacked additional data – again, no clear photos and videos. As NASA stated a few days early, there is a lot of historical 'poor data' that lacks verifiable information. This is not to say the information is faulty or untrustworthy, far from it, but the problem is that these civilian cases do not come with high fidelity information.

SUNDAY

03rd of July, 2022
'Deal with God.'

Within the depths of an obscure accident and emergency ward, situated deep within the Tees Valley, my student placement was in its infancy. One of the hottest British summers on record had coincided with my first work experience as an Occupational Therapist (OT). It was a hot, humid,

and not even the whirring metallic fans could reduce the temperature on those high intensity wards during the summer of 22. It was a strange Sunday afternoon with tensions mounting due to the rising heat. A stifling pressure was being felt across the emergency ward department staff and all to the backdrop of Kate Bush's song 'running up that hill', which had just been popularised by the Stranger Things season 4 ending. A good song from the 1980s, but when it is played for the twentieth time in your twelve hour shift it becomes slightly irritating. That weekend in early July was my first weekend on placement as an OT student. Hot and bothered I had been on my feet for what seemed like hours that afternoon. It was only when a nurse opened the side door to an unnoticed, unexplored courtyard did I step away to catch my breath. Finding an outside seat and semi-warm drink, my mind raced through the phenomena, and its vast sprawling complexities.

Above me the air temperature dipped slightly as the seat against the window felt cool against my aching back. Sipping from my water bottle I decided to quickly take out my phone, noticing the headline in the Washington Post. '*NASA is right to examine UFOs'* (8).

Undeterred, I sat and quickly read the article in the short timeframe I had. The article seemed as though it was just the norm, that UFOs are a normal part of life now – pretty wild considering that four years ago this would have been the biggest article in Ufology history, but now it wasn't. Suddenly, it was normal to openly accept that UFOs need investigation.

The stigma was dying in front of me.

Dark clouds formed as a rumble of thunder suddenly crackled above the Tees Valley sky. This was followed by a boom so loud in the atmosphere that sounded as though reality itself had been shredded. But it hadn't, no, everything simply continued.

Then refreshing rain began to fall. The light rain then quickly turned into a heavy downpour, cooling the air further as the blackened clouds swirled high above the hospital with intent. Stepping out further into the cooling downpour of the courtyard, the rain washed down over me. Much to my relief, the temperature subsided almost instantly. It had taken its time to arrive, but it was certainly worth it. In that moment, I couldn't help but think back to that night in February of 2020 and the McMillan article about how some UAP-Obfuscators in the DoD had tried to lie about UFOs to the public. They had tried, *and they had failed*. Their efforts now washed away with all those moments gone and replaced in much the same way the storm rages and

then subsides. Eventually, everything changes.

The long journey

So much has happened, so many changes have occurred, and all to the heartbeat of slow process that played out in those days of disclosure. Here we have NASA investigating UFOs and that is accepted now. It is accepted socially because the topic of UAP/UFOs is no longer stigmatised like they once were before the UAP initiative, before Elizondo, Mellon, Reid and all those UAP advocates. People now have access to the information and they do not fear it. They welcome it as a challenge to understand, a mystery to solve and something credible to investigate.

'NASA isn't saying aliens exist. But it is saying, for the first time in almost half a century, that UFOs are worth paying attention to.' (8)
- Washington Post, (2022).

We have come a long way. The world has changed so dramatically in its foundation perception towards the anomalous phenomena. Consider how a major news outlet opinion piece had just acknowledged that NASA should be investigating the issue of UFOs. This is a far cry from the mainstream media, who prior to 2017, would mock believers as conspiracy theorists and celebrate debunkers no matter how insane the explanations might be. Now the debunkers, once heralded as reasonable sceptical voices, are humiliated by news anchors for their outlandish claims about Seagulls, weather balloons and drones. Their extreme claims that NASA and Congress have been tricked into taking UFOs seriously has turned them into the conspiracy theorists they prized themselves on mocking for decade after decade. Their sheer determination to disbelieve at all costs has left them facing the ultimate karma. They are left now with nothing but self-pity and bitter resentment as they howl into the ether of social media. A sad, but fateful end to a dying ideology of UFO pseudo-science.

We are grateful that NASA symbolises the belief and trust of the entire world, and with them go our hopes for an objective investigation into future. At last we have something to look forward to, a bright future that is open and honest with our globally accredited space agency leading the charge.

What an age to be alive.

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Conclusions

The involvement of NASA was incredibly important for this issue. This can't be understanded. For NASA to acknowledge the phenomenon outright ensured that the mainstream media could begin to start asking the right questions. Previously, the concept and knowledge of UAP was incredibly limited to stigmatised Ufology cases, and although the last four years had progressed the credibility of the anomalous issue, there is still an issue of confabulation. In the eyes of the mainstream, Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena are either extra-terrestrials or weather balloons/swamp gas or Chinese drones. There are no deep theoretical thoughts given to other non-human anomalous origins. With NASA involved, the education/indoctrination of the various theoretical concepts regarding UAP can be followed through in real time. The American public now have their focus on NASA's investigations – an organisation that the public trusts and respects, hopefully through open transparency they will continue in this way. We can handle the truth.

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Chapter Seventy-Seven: Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena

The use of appropriate terminology is vitally important within the world of Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) research and activism efforts. We only have to look back to the original term 'Flying Saucer' which was derived from the 1940s after thousands of people were reporting metallic disc-like objects. Flying Saucer essentially meant interplanetary or extra-terrestrial and was undoubtedly a problem of concept for anyone wishing to explain away the entire phenomena as weather balloons. The decision was taken to introduce the term Unidentified Flying Object or UFOs in the early 1950s to replace Flying Saucers and is accredited to Edward Ruppelt (Ruppelt was the director of Project Grudge from late 1951 until it became Project Blue Book in the March of 1952). Arguably, by stepping back the terminology from an established interplanetary or non-human definition, the net was widened and the concept was diluted to incorporate anything from rockets to balloons to birds. Whether done with purposeful intent or not, this move minimised the societal perception that the phenomena was genuinely anomalous or non-human technology. Consequently, it becomes clear that the use of terminology can be applied as a psychological strategy – for good or bad agendas. Even during the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) initiative this tactic has been deployed – consider our team uses UAP over UFO to reduce stigma. Then additionally, those working to increase the stigma and confusion also have utilised the psychology of phrasing. For example, as shown in earlier chapters, the pushback from the Department of Defense (DoD) against using the term 'anomalous' was evident, given that the phrase anomalous is more indicative of something non-human, or at least more so than aerial or aviation. Considering the use of clever wording, it is why the second 'A' in AATIP (Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program) was so heavy contested. Some intelligence community agents within DoD pushed *Aviation* rather than *Aerospace* to intentionally manipulate the collective mind of the public that AATIP studied planes and drones – not genuine anomalous aerial vehicles. Again, we saw the pushback against the term of anomalous, after it was used as 'Anomalous Advanced

Vehicles' (AAV) by the contractor Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS) in the executive report on the Nimitz they produced for the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP) + AATIP (1). However, most significantly, it was the Office for the Undersecretary for Defense Intelligence's (OUSDI) pre-emptive creation of the Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronisation Group (AOIMSG) which was the most significant example of this. As we discussed earlier, this was a possible attempt to obfuscate the UAP initiative. By the mid-summer of July 2022, things were about to change at last for the better and unbelievably the government words arrived that we had all needed to hear…*Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena.*

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FRIDAY

15th of July, 2022
'Behind Closed Doors.'

The vast majority of the work being done was not in open activism circles across social media, it was covert UAP advocates who had access to the Senate and House. Initially there was Congresspersons Gallagher and Gallego who proposed House amendments for the National Defense Authorization Act 2023 (NDAA). This essentially ensured that those who were part of classified UAP programs could speak to Congress or even publicly without reprisal from certain elements (UAP-Obfuscators) with DoD. Potentially now we might see some major movement with government witnesses coming forward.

Unidentified Aerospace-Undersea Phenomena Joint Program Office

The Senate's proposed language for the Intelligence Authorization Act 2023 (IAA) was very informative and a good indication into the intentions of Congress (2). Here we see the mandate is not balloons, drones and birds, but instead a technology that is truly anomalous.

1). Transmedium objects or devices and unidentified aerospace-undersea

phenomena;

2). Space, atmospheric, and water domains;

3). Currently unknown technology and other domains.

What is being observed here are UAP that can operate in all of Earth's known atmospheric concentrations. Yes we have human technology which flies up into space, but rockets cannot enter the water or hover at 30'000 feet. Similarly we have submarines which travel to great depths within our oceans but equally they can't travel up into space. Most importantly, we don't have anti-gravity or hypersonic dead-stop propulsion technology which is displayed by the anomalous phenomena. We do not have a technology which dematerialises, or appears from the fabric of reality, we don't have trans-morphic craft which reformulate itself at the quantum level. This technology is so advanced it is like magic to us.

With this in mind we can see the significance behind the language Congress used. One source has told Liberation Times, *"...behind closed doors, lawmakers have met with current and former government insiders who have provided multi-source and verifiable information that has shaped the language we are seeing today."* (3)

Whilst OUSDI still controlled the UAP group AOIMSG, there was concern about how much would be carried out in accordance with law. Ideally, it has been considered that the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) would be better placed, and obviously there is Space Force (wink wink). In the end it depends on how much teeth the legislation has to become enacted and how much drive the Congress has to see this through. Senator Marco Rubio tweeted about the new legislation that included the updated UAP terminology and stated, *"This years Senate's Intelligence Reauthorization was approved unanimously and is the most consequential one ever offered Every word was chosen carefully and for a reason."* (4)

Luis Elizondo gave a statement to The Liberation Times (3) praising the tireless efforts of one man, Mr Christopher Mellon for the Congressional language. Mellon has been a major part of the UAP initiative and arguably was one of the founding instigators in getting UAP into Congress in the first place. Mellon, as we now know, also got the UFO videos into The New York Times in 2017. Without him, none of this would have been possible.

TUESDAY

19th of July, 2022
‘Enlightenment.’

Working in a non-air conditioned community placement was difficult in the extreme heat, even the girl who sat next to be looked as though she might actually melt. That Tuesday was the hottest day on record for Britain. The heat wave hit us with highs of over 40C while the previous record was set at 38C in Cambridge in 2019. If there was ever a need to investigate alternative energy sources to replace fossil fuels then this was it. We need to evaluate all varying options going forward and that includes the energy technology behind Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP). Should this radical technology be in the hands of some deeply classified Special Access Program (SAP) then that needs to be released to the world to allow us the benefit of long term integration and ultimately reducing the effects of climate change. We need the technology and the only way to understand what it might mean or even rule it out as a possibility is to have UFO disclosure.

An article was released that Tuesday by Space.com (5) and interestingly by the same gentleman who had published for Space.com on my own efforts to have the UFO videos declassified (6) back in February. Leonard David wrote a good piece which focused on what should be accomplished professionally with regard to UAP. Mark Rodeghier, the scientific director of the Center for UFO Studies was quoted in the article praising the new effort of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). He stated that, *“...there could be potential for overlap and redundancy in the two efforts”* when referring to the civilian unclassified effort of NASA and the DoD’s effort (5). The point is a valid one, science cannot be classified, it needs to be open for peer review within the scientific community.

WEDNESDAY

20th of July, 2022
‘Oversight.’

Quite astonishingly, written within the Senate version of the 2023 Intelligence Authorization Act was additional information that was demanding '*efforts to recover or transfer related technologies to United States-based industry or National Laboratories*' (7). This meant that

Congress wanted all recovered UAP technologies to be given to the government, rather than in the hands of a defence contractor. They also retained the language which demanded investigation into intelligence community agents who had attempted to hide and obfuscate UAP information at the classified and unclassified level. Congress meant serious business. They knew that some in the DoD had lied about UFOs and they knew that some recovered materials had been hidden away in SAPs - which had zero Congressional oversight. And now we are seeing their reaction put into law in real time. We can look no further than the Wilson Documents (see Chapters fourteen and twenty-five) to see that Congress is aware there are programs that have recovered crashed UFOs. Yes, unbelievable, and yet also difficult for us to verify in the civilian world, but possibly also very true. Ufology may indeed have been right all these years in that respect.

THURSDAY

21st of July, 2022.
'Arrows'.

Researcher Dean Johnson first disclosed in May 2022 that Sean Kirkpatrick was confirmed to head the new effort to investigate UAP (8). This was acknowledged officially under a new office which was established as the All-domain Anomalies Resolution Office (AARO). The announcement came from the DoD official webpage (9) and even had its own social media account set up on Twitter (10). Journalist Tom O'Connor, writing for Newsweek confirmed via the Pentagon that AARO is both a *'renaming'* of the AOIMSG *"...as well as a mission expansion"* (11). However it was the statement from Susan Gough that at last acknowledged incursions by *anomalous phenomena* might potentially pose a threat to United States national security which was really the highlight. At long last, after years of fighting and campaigning to have the correct terminology and classification applied to the anomalous phenomena, here we have the Pentagon concede and use the very wording of this book series. And as for the very first tweet by the new AARO?

'Welcome to the official Twitter account for the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office. Through this channel, we will provide updates and information relative to our examinations of ***unidentified anomalous***

phenomena *across space, air, and maritime domains.'* (10)

One might take note of the use and phrasing of UAP – 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena'. This was another big moment for us as activists who had worked in the field to push the correct use of terminology away from 'Airborne', 'Aviation' and even 'Aerospace'. At long last we had gotten 'Anomalous' into the conversation, a term which draws upon the mystery behind what UFOs/UAP actually are. Whilst the acronym of AARO isn't perfect or as good as 'ASTRO', it still can be pronounced by the mainstream media as 'arrow', and certainly is 100 times better than the setup to fail effort of AOIMSG (which failed to adhere to Congressional legislation). Interestingly, Australian journalist Ross Coulthart pointed out that in Hebrew, AARO is 'Mountain of Strength' and 'enlightened'. Hopefully, this is a sign of things to come.

TUESDAY

26th of July, 2020.
'Not man-made.'

As reported by the Liberation Times (12) and researcher Dean Johnson via twitter (13), the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) released its Intelligence Authorization Act 2023 report. The language used provided context on their Unidentified Aerospace-Undersea Phenomena Joint Program (UAUPJP). The report Senator Warner posted stated that there is an increasing threat to United States national security from *'cross-domain transmedium'* vehicles and that the SSCI is disappointed with the slow pace of DoD-led efforts to replace the UAP Task Force (UAPTF) and establish the office to address those threats. Section 1683 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 was not being met legally, which is the will of the people. This is not at all surprising, it is the pattern that the UAP Obfuscators have displayed since 2017 and going back further throughout history. For the first time in history however, they are acting out against the law. They were getting increasingly desperate.

The other important section comes from the following statement in the SSCI congressional report. It states:

'Temporary non-attributed objects, or those that are positively identified as man-made after analysis, will be passed to appropriate offices and should not be considered under the definition as unidentified aerospace-undersea phenomena.' (14)

Essentially, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and Congress wishes to dissociate the new UAP program/office from *man-made technology* (drones and aircraft), leaving the 'unknown, unknowns' which equate to unidentified aerospace-undersea phenomena (UAUP). Also, if objects 'identified as man-made' go into other appropriate offices, then what does that leave for the UAUP objects and devices with transmedium technology which…aren't man-made?

Congress was walking back the words of Navy spokesman Joseph Gradisher who stated in 2019, *'...when an UAS isn't immediately identifiable that they refer to them as UAP'.*

This legislation prevents UAP-Obfuscators from diluting the significance of UFOs with drones and aircraft. The Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena was to become its own category, as we had been pushing for since day one of the UAP initiative.

Whatever Congress, and to an extent NASA, have seen, arguably, it is something else entirely. Maybe one day we too can see what they have seen?

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Conclusions

In what seems like a lifetime ago, the emergence of the AATIP/AAWSAP whose existence was once so imperative for the UAP initiative to succeed, is now almost irrelevant to the progression of our collective acceptance and understanding towards UFOs. From AATIP, AAWSAP, UAPTF, ASTRO, AOIMSG to the latest version of AARO and UAUP, we have progressed and 'levelled up' with every evolving program/task force/office. Even the terminology of 'anomalous' - which was once challenged and denounced by the Pentagon – is now openly used. The DoD have also changed their approach and openly adopt our very own 'Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena' concepts alongside transmedium-aerospace-underwater technological vehicles. This was the result of Congress, who pushed and pulled, demanded hearings and briefings and stood up for the people's voice and for democracy itself. Congressional oversight of this very important issue

goes beyond legislation and into the very heart and soul of the United States itself, maybe even acting with healing properties and bringing together the political left and right in a bipartisan approach. We don't know who was behind the wording in the Congressional language, but whoever it was, has UAP transparency on their remit.

As part of our reframing of UFO to UAP, we have all used adaptive strategy across the various teams. For four years we pushed the concept of anomalous phenomena to become integrated into the mainstream. This was taken on the basis that something non-human exists beyond the crude and stigmatised extra-terrestrial hypothesis for UFOs and that is incorporate by its own term of definition – **Anomalous.**

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Chapter Twenty-Eight: A Post Disclosure World

Russia invaded the Ukraine on the 24th of February, 2022 under the premise of NATO expansion and aggression. Vladimir Putin, a cold war relic, tyrant and KGB heavyweight, enforced a strategic ploy to defend against the West with threats of nuclear annihilation should any military intervention accompany efforts to reclaim and 'de-nazify' the old Soviet Union state. Currently, it is unclear how this European war will impact the geopolitical aspirations of a desperate world in the decades ahead. Hopefully, this will not be a case of those who changed the world for the worse, but we must wait and see. As a species, we must become more. We must become better than tribal people who care only for ourselves and allow atrocities to occur in the name of justification. But I digress, for now we have work for a better world. The Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) Revolution has begun, we are in the middle of disclosure, and we have a foothold in this battle for UAP acknowledgment, accountability and transparency. To make the point clear, we should not subscribe to the ideology that UAP disclosure will fix the existential problems of this world. We must raise our collective consciousness and become more. The anomalous phenomena are not here to save us and have shown zero interest in stopping us from killing ourselves. We have no evidence to suggest that they will step in to prevent terrorism, famine, genocide or even nuclear war. Yes, there is a strong correlation between UAP and nuclear activity, but it is automated, reactionary after the fact, and seemingly not what we think it might be. But who knows? Maybe it is their strategic long term plan of world domination?

Living in a post disclosure world is dependent on how the process unfolds. There are questions as to how an explosive form of event disclosure might be given that eventually 'process disclosure' will hit critical mass and the world will universally acknowledge the anomalous. At that historic moment, how might this impact our politics, our religion, our science, our technology, our theology, our culture and even our personal sense of embodiment as human beings? Will it change us for the better or reveal the ugly monster within us all? Seemingly, we cannot hide from this truth any longer, we cannot fear the unknown and the dark road ahead. Sooner or later

we all have to make that journey, and now, it is time at long last.

National security and the secrecy that kills liberty

The detrimental UAP issue upon national security and how it has overtaken liberty within the United States will be wrote about in textbooks for the next hundred years. The fragility of democracy cannot be understated in these troubled times. The early fear of nuclear annihilation has drove us to forsake our God given right to govern ourselves, it has stolen from the very essence and ideals of government and who we really are.

Although I'm not American, myself like many British people aspire to the ideals of the American democratic values of governance. The freedom, the sacred value of elected legislation for the people and by the people is the cornerstone of the modern world. Whilst I'm sure the United States forefathers never envisaged non-human entities from another dimension and universe impacting how the governed political system operates, I'm sure they would scowl at the excessive power that was used to uphold secrecy at the expense of liberty and all under the guise of national security.

At the birth of the nuclear age, our governments had the chance of giving the world the greatest gift of knowledge about ourselves and our place in the universe with the understanding that we are not alone. We failed. Instead of sharing the information amongst all humankind, we chose to bury the information, shielded it from our enemies to build bigger and better weapons. We did this because it is inherently coded, buried within our DNA to destroy ourselves over and over until only our own genetic bloodline remains. A *pure* gene-pool free from imperfections. Darwin would call this *'survival of the fittest'*, whereas the Nazi party would call this their *Volksgemeinschaft* ideology. The rational antagonistic amongst us would reject the very ethical notion that we should create and maintain elitism within our species. One of the most iconic quotes from the 1945 George Orwell novel 'Animal Farm', really sums up our constant struggle as humans to reconcile our humanity.

'All people are created equal, but some are more equal than others'.

This is a fallacy of the human mind, to socially divide ourselves into groups - who is worthy and who is not. The elite and the peasants.

We are not monsters, but we can be monstrous, we are not angels, but we have the gift of empathy when caring for others, and we are not soulless

androids from the multi-verse looking for meaning that we will never find. We are human conscious beings who wish to become more than cave people with access to a nuclear arsenal.

"Those who would give up essential Liberty, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."

- *Benjamin Franklin.*

The secrecy must end for the sake of the democratic process and the health of a world plagued by darkness, lies, obfuscation and self-preservation. You might consider the anomalous phenomena obfuscation a testimony to how we struggle to implement our virtuous ideologies. And also, how we as a people wish to govern and be governed. We can therefore understand the decisions taken in those Cold-War years, and why fear clouded the minds of those military men burdened with this problem in the 1940s. But times have changed, we must now evolve and become who we were meant to be and take our rightful place in the cosmos. This process of healing comes through the bravery of men and women. Those who aspire to be the change that inspires others, to become the symbol of hope that we can be better. For all of us.

The past few years 2017-2022 have shown us that the conversation can happen safely, that we have something truly amazing within our oceans and our skies. It has shown us that at last some good people within the United States Government are willing to investigate UAP and take steps to understand what this technology might mean. Now we have our disclosure, we must address the next step of this process. We must try to understand who are the anomalous and what do they mean to us. What do they want?

<u>Conclusions of origin – What are UAP?</u>

As we disclose the reality of UAP, we are still no closer to determining the true nature of the anomalous phenomena. Truth be told, we might be many years away from any meaningful understanding of origin – even with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) involvement. The problem stems from societal stigma and how the system isn't capable of reacting appropriately to information that comes from outside of that system. The Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) issue is a brilliant example of that, for 70 plus years we humans have had no idea how to handle this deeply

troubling psychological problem. Arguably, the only way forward is open transparency and accountability and having the best minds from around the world working the problem, but even that isn't exactly easy to achieve. And then there is the problem of UAP, the issue itself is seemingly more complicated than extra-terrestrials coming here from there – where-ever there might be. We still cannot state what the UAP/UFO is or where it is from, (primarily) due to a lack of radar data that tracks UAP origin and destination - and we should not conclude on limited data. If you were to ask me what my best guess would be, I would say we are dealing with a phenomena (plural), with multiple sources of origin - but even that hypothesis comes with contradictions.

Potentially, the phenomena might be made up from various extra-terrestrials and ultra-terrestrials, all coming from another universe or another world, galaxy or dimension across varying timelines. Maybe they are future humans or alternative universe humans. We don't know and we don't know that we don't know. What I would continue to postulate, is that the anomalous phenomena are a multitude of possibilities and considerations from the following.

1). Extra-terrestrials
2). Multi-verse
3). Inter-dimensional
4). Ultra-terrestrials
5). Consciousness
6). Quantum Anomalous Nexus
7). Time-Travel

In theory we need to be careful not to adopt a definitive binary position to the origin of anomalous phenomena and also consider that multiple things may be happening at the same time. For example, just because UAP might be coming from deep space doesn't necessarily mean that *all* UAP are therefore extra-terrestrials. Additionally, just because some UAP are coming up from our oceans doesn't mean that all UAP are all ultra-terrestrials (originating from inner-Earth). We have to consider that there could be overlapping phenomena with varying origins. As frustrating as it is to state this – we simply do not know. It is here that we find ourselves at the very beginning of an exciting adventure into the unknown. It is an investigation that will

involve multiple disciplines, theories, methodologies and humanistic approaches, most of which we haven't even considered yet. This is a time in history no different to the Renaissance or the birth of the nuclear age. It is a time when something completely abstract could both benefit and hinder the world in varying measures. But to get there we need to force the governments of the world to accept and acknowledge the anomalous, we need them to tell the people that it is ok to investigate this seriously. Until we somehow encourage this new paradigm of accountability from government, we will continue to suffer from bad data, incomplete data and cherry-picked data from us amateurs within Ufology. I don't mean to be harsh to the entire Ufology field, some are excellent researchers and some great sceptical minds, however most are not. Ufology is a platform which drowns out the credible signal that is hidden away within a conspiracy, which turns away mainstream scientific inquiry and professional mainstream coverage.

Ultimately, we are limited by our place in time, limited by our understanding + lack of data, and most importantly, we are limited by the refusal to accept and acknowledge the phenomena is real. People fear what UAP might mean for us as a species on this Earth and therefore instead of applying logic, they apply the psychology of deflection and distraction. The need to disbelieve.

Why UAP technology is important

Forget 'aliens' for a moment, or whatever else we hypothetically consider them to be. If we consider that this UAP technology is *human* in origin, then that opens up a completely different set of issues and opportunities. This transmedium technology is revolutionary beyond compare. That is now established. It is not understood by NASA, Congress or the DoD as they have made abundantly clear. So the real question we should be asking ourselves is that if this technology is indeed *human* in origin (American, Russia, China, etc), how can we justify keeping it classified when its potential applications could change the world forever. Think hoverboards and flying cars from 'Back to the Future', warp-drive propulsion systems from 'Star Wars' or cloaking from 'Star-Trek'. These unique abilities are all observed in UAP technology under the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program's (AATIP) five observables – and supposably someone, somewhere hypothetically has this technology.

No big deal right?

Having worked in healthcare for almost ten years now, I know that the implications for advanced medical application is incredibly significant. 'Anti-Gravity' technology for example, could be used in place of postural seating and patients who have lost motor functions (Spinal injuries, Stroke, etc) and who die in their thousands every year from pressure sore related infections. Such comorbidities would potentially drop to zero if they were able to be *levitated* – as crazy as that might sound. Patients who die due to long waiting times for ambulance services would be seen instantly by a doctor with the speed of instantaneous acceleration and deadstop propulsion technology. 'Crash teams' would become global instead of restricted to hospital grounds, instantly turning up in Japan, Paris, Tokyo or Middlesbrough when an alarm button is pressed. Medical equipment and biological organs/samples could be delivered instantly from hospital to hospital anywhere in the world, no matter how remote. Life saving speciality surgeries could become transatlantic or even global with distance and time no longer being an issue. Who knows, maybe floating hospitals that orbit the Earth might become a thing in the next few hundred years. Then there is the question of advanced nanotechnology that has been speculated to be involved within some UAP transmorphic abilities, breaking down at the quantum level and rearranging the very atoms themselves. What could this form of technology do for removing cancer cells and rebuilding healthy tissue? What could this technology do for understanding medical advancements? What about neuroplasticity and consciousness?

Granted these are all extremely far-off hypothetical considerations right now, so maybe we can start with the more realistic goals, such as climate change. What if this UAP technology *isn't* using fossil fuels? What if UAP technology can improve our carbon footprint and stop our world from burning?

Should we not look at this?

Should we not question that the over-classification of UAP technology is a national security threat for all of us?

Simply put, we do not know that humans have this technology, only that it exists. We do not know that we can replicate the technology - should it not be ours. Maybe it is dangerous for us to replicate with high levels of radiation associated to some UAP (*if not all?*).

Those who changed the world

We have discussed in earlier chapters the rather daunting concept that the anomalous phenomena might have a form of intellectual consciousness that is different to our own. If this is the case, if they truly are self-aware in a more hyper advanced non-linear paradigm to ourselves and to them we are just inferior versions of a past evolutionary history, can we also consider that they are the architect of the secrecy?

They are choosing to evade us, hide from us, show glimpses in limited timeframes. At any given point they could have landed on the White House Lawn and revealed themselves. If they so wanted, they could have materialised indefinitely over a busy street in down-town Los Angeles, above the Great Pyramid in Cairo or even over the Riverside Stadium in Middlesbrough.

But they haven't.

And if, as we have stated, they have the intellectual conscious awareness to consider revealing themselves to us humans in such a way but choose not to, then we must consider the good, bad and null possibilities. These we can considered as the 'three hypothetical possibilities of anomalous intention'.

1). The null possibility is that they may not be interested in us, no more so than we would be interested in an ant hill. They see us, don't see us, and could be our indifferent cohabiting neighbours who simply don't care beyond the tampering of nuclear weapons.

2). The bad possibilities are that they are extremely interested in us, our resources and our planet. Potentially, since 1942 (and the first appearance of the Foo-Fighters) they have been engaged in a military-styled scouting process to evaluate us prior to invasion/elimination. They could be abducting us, mutilating us, experimenting with our DNA and even terraforming Earth to a more hospitable climate for the rest of them. Others have suggested that the anomalous phenomena is culling humankind, giving advanced technology and weapons to rival nations to enable the more advanced species to flourish whilst the weaker DNA is killed off in some macabre 'pure breeding'

experiment.

3). The good possibility is that they are interested in us but are waiting for us to grow up, raise our consciousness and join them in their cosmic galactic community. The argument is that a species who are hyper evolved would be much more akin to peaceful ways of existence and have no interest in the bad possibilities mentioned above. I personally prefer this option, though not sure how accurate it might be.

These three theoretical possibilities can be expanded upon, taken in various directions but ultimately are all dependent upon the anomalous phenomena having consciousness similar (if not more evolved) to humans. Obviously, we also need to consider the possibility the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena has multiple origins which again would change the dynamic of one single intention. But then maybe to cite Murphy's Law in Christopher Nolan's 2014 film 'Interstellar' - "*...anything that can happen, will happen."*

Maybe disclosure already has happened, *somewhere.*

Looking to the Future

We are bound by our own psychology, imprisoned by it until we can improve and raise our collective consciousness and hopefully evolve before it is too late. However, I am cautiously optimistic, and I'm hopeful that the restraints of our time will be lifted someday and somehow by Congress and NASA as they push for answers. I hope future generations will be free to study this amazingly wondrous anomalous phenomena and the prosperous technologies that might one day change who we are. I hope that you, my two beautiful children, might one day get to research the phenomena openly for the benefit of all living things without fear of reprisal. I hope we can all have an open conversation about UFOs and maybe even one day understand where they come from. Maybe we will understand who they are and what their presence here might mean for us as humans. Maybe we will learn the real truth about them and ourselves. Or perhaps, we will learn that through their presence it was the unidentified anomalous phenomena who altered our history, our present and our future. Essentially, it is they who are responsible - it was always them, the anomalous.

"Those who changed the world".

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Conclusions

The last four years have been an amazing time in my own life and for the field of UAP/UFOs. The issue went from being a fringe conspiracy to the front pages of respectable mainstream media outlets. Without doubt, the secrecy is ending thanks to brave individuals who stepped up to do what was necessary when the world needed them most. History will remember those who fought for the cause, those who took the personal and professional attacks and kept standing to declare 'you will take this seriously.' The way we as a species understands this anomalous phenomenon will change in time, we will have scientific minds working the problem and hopefully get answers in time long after I'm gone. But for now, I know this is the end, or at least it is the end of an era. These are the last days of the opening act to the UAP Revolution. The days of disclosure. I feel quite privileged to have not only witnessed it in real time, but to play a very small part of my own, and to have worked in tandem with the people who changed the world is something words can never fully express. The NDAA was signed into law and with-it legislation which means the very beginning of UAP transparency within government, but despite the progress the fight is not over, the enemy will never surrender, and the war will not be won until the world acknowledges fully that we are not alone. While this is the end of our activism story of how the first few years played out, it is only the very beginning of the world awakening to the very real anomalous phenomena which haunts our planet.

So that is it. The end of our UAP origin story 2016-2022. That is how the world was changed in those early days, weeks, months and years. I'll leave you now with the words of one of the bravest men with integrity I've ever had the privilege to know and liaise with.

"Sapere Aude, Sub Rosa, Deo Volente. Seeing the truth, through the shadows, God willing!".

- *Lue.*

Appendix A: Navy Pilots and Military Personnel on the Record about UAP

Since 2017 we have seen an upsurge in Navy Pilots bravely coming forward to reveal their frequent encounters with Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon *(unidentifiable objects entering military airspace)*, also known as Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). In 2022, we had various different types of UAP being reported through either Navy Pilots, Officers, Radar Operators or Intelligence Agents. These were, 'Tic-Tacs', 'Flying Discs', 'Cubes within Spheres', 'Spheres' and 'Black Triangles'. Here we are collating the continued testimony of military personnel in one article.

"The strange objects, one of them like a spinning top moving against the wind, appeared almost daily from the summer of 2014 to March 2015, high in the skies over the East Coast. Navy pilots reported to their superiors that the objects had no visible engine or infrared exhaust plumes, but that they could reach 30,000 feet and hypersonic speeds'

– 'Wow, what is that?' Navy Pilot Report Unexplained Flying Object. The New York Times. 26.05.2019. (1)

'*The near miss, he (Navy Pilot) and other pilots interviewed said, angered the squadron, and convinced them that the objects were not part of a classified drone program. Government officials would know fighter pilots were training in the area, they reasoned, and would not send drones to get in the way'*

– 'Wow, what is that?' Navy Pilot Report Unexplained Flying Object. New York Times. 26.05.2019. (1)

'*What was strange, the pilots said, was that the video showed objects accelerating to hypersonic speed, making sudden stops and instantaneous turns — something beyond the physical limits of a human crew'*

– 'Wow, what is that?' Navy Pilot Report Unexplained Flying Object. New York Times. 26.05.2019. (1)

"...the objects persisted, showing up at 30,000 feet, 20,000 feet, even

sea level. They could accelerate, slow down and then hit hypersonic speeds"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - 'Wow, what is that?' Navy Pilot Report Unexplained Flying Object. New York Times. 26.05.2019. (1)

"It was basically a cube within a sphere, where the points of the cube were touching the outside of the sphere"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"Wherever we where, they were there"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"It wasn't until someone actually saw one go between two aircraft at close range by about 150ft, that it started to get worrisome"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"They (Cubes within Spheres) were essentially flying themselves in a formation, and behind the object"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"...the object, (Gimbal video) almost looks like a gyroscope, the points coming out of the top and the bottom, of what appears to be a disc"

– Lieutenant Ryan Graves: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"When you get multiple sensors reading the exact same thing, and then you get to see the display, that solidifies it for me"

– Lieutenant Danny Accoin: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History

Channel, 2019.

"No distinct wings, no distinct tail, no distinct exhaust plume, much like you see in the Gimbal video. It seems like they would actively move around us"

– Lieutenant Danny Accoin: Super Hornet Pilot, Squadron VFA- Red Rippers, Naval Air Station Oceana - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"This is important, now we are looking at something that can stay stationary over a geographic point, against 120 knots of wind, can rotate around and accelerate above supersonic"

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"I'm fascinated that over 60 people have seen these things and it's become the accepted norm"

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case - Unidentified, Episode 4, History Channel, 2019.

"It (Tic-Tac UFO) accelerated like nothing I've ever seen"

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case - 2 Navy Airmen and an Object That '*Accelerated like nothing I've ever seen*', New York Times, 16.12.2017. (2)

'*The objects appeared suddenly at 80,000 feet, and then hurtled toward the sea, eventually stopping at 20,000 feet and hovering. Then they either dropped out of radar range or shot straight back up'*

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case - 2 Navy Airmen and an Object That '*Accelerated like nothing I've ever seen*', New York Times, 16.12.2017. (2)

"We were at least 40 miles away, and in less than a minute this thing was already at our cap point"

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case - 2 Navy Airmen and an Object That '*Accelerated like nothing I've ever seen*', New York Times, 16.12.2017. (2)

"It had no plumes, wings or rotors and outran our FA/18s"

– Commander David Fravor, Super Hornet F/A-18F Pilot, Squadron Black Aces, Tic-Tac case (2 Navy Airmen and an Object That '*Accelerated like nothing I've ever seen*', New York Times, 16.12.2017).

"*It was so unpredictable, high G, rapid velocity, rapid acceleration. So, you're wondering: How can I possibly fight this?"*

– Lt. Alex Dietrich. Super Hornet, F/A-18 wing pilot. Tic-Tac case - Unidentified, Episode 1, History Channel, 2019.

"…...It (Tic-Tac) was going from like 50,000 feet to, you know, a hundred feet in like seconds, which is not possible".

- Lt. Chad Underwood. Super Hornet, F/A-18, Tic-Tac case - Intelligencer, 19/12/2019.

"*…...It (Tic-Tac) was 25'000 feet then coming down in no time, zero time at all, I mean you could blink, and it was already there"*

– Gary Voorhis, Petty Officer, Fire control man, CG-59. USS. Princeton - The Nimitz encounters.

"*…. All of a sudden, this object (Tic-Tac) that he was merged with, fell out of the sky from 28'000 feet to the surface of the ocean, in what I found out later was 0.78 seconds*"

– Kevin Day. Fmr. Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer, a former Operations Specialist and TOPGUN Air Intercept Controller - Coast 2 Coast interview with George Knapp, 17.06.2018.

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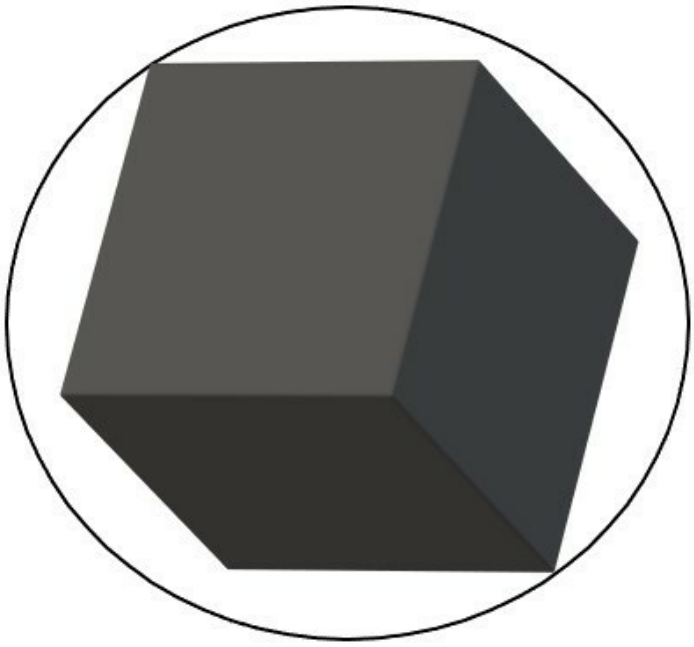
Appendix B: Diagrams, Photos and Illustrations

Cube within a Sphere



1. Cube within a Sphere assosciated to Flying discs.
2. Estimated 15-20 feet across.
3. No obvious means of propulsion.
4. Sighted of the East Coast of America 2014/2015.

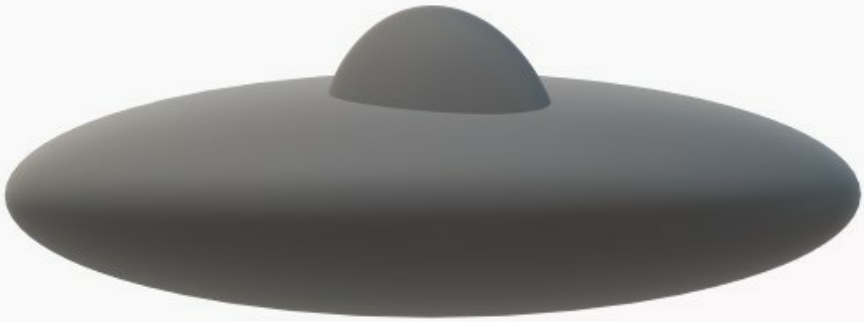
*6ft male

The 'Tic-Tac'

1. White oval shape.
2. 40 feet in length.
3. Spotted off the West Coast of America in 2004.
4. Instantaneous acceleration.
5. Can operate at sea level and/or 80'000 ft and above.

*6ft male

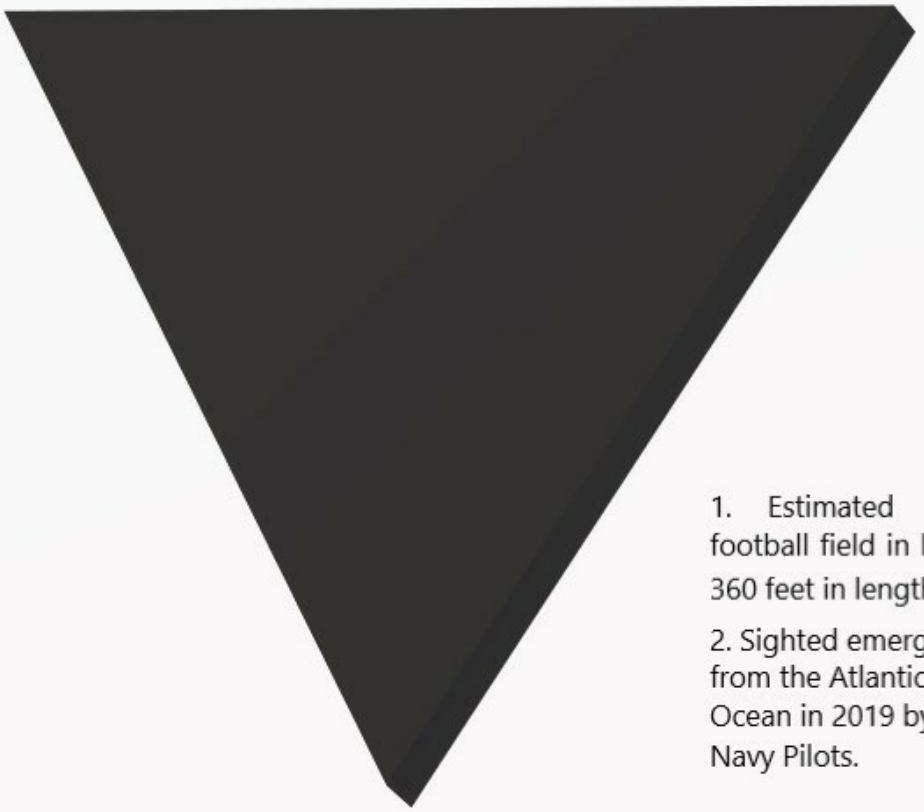
Flying Disc/Spinning Top



1. Flying Discs are metallic grey.
2. Size unknown, however estimated to be larger than the cubes at 15-20 feet across.
3. Spotted globally since 1940s, sighted off the East Coast of America 2015.
4. Occupants considered to be 'The Greys.'
5. Able to rotate and travel at speed without discernible means of propulsion.

*6ft male

Black Triangle



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1. Estimated to be football field in length - 360 feet in length.

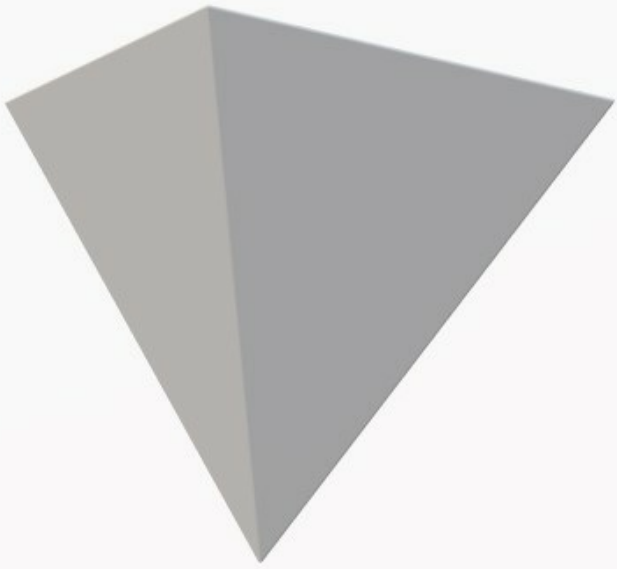
2. Sighted emerging from the Atlantic Ocean in 2019 by Navy Pilots.

Omaha Sphere

1. A metallic sphere.
2. Estimated to be around 6 feet in diameter.
3. Sighted by USS Omaha in 2019.
4. Has 'transmedium' properties.

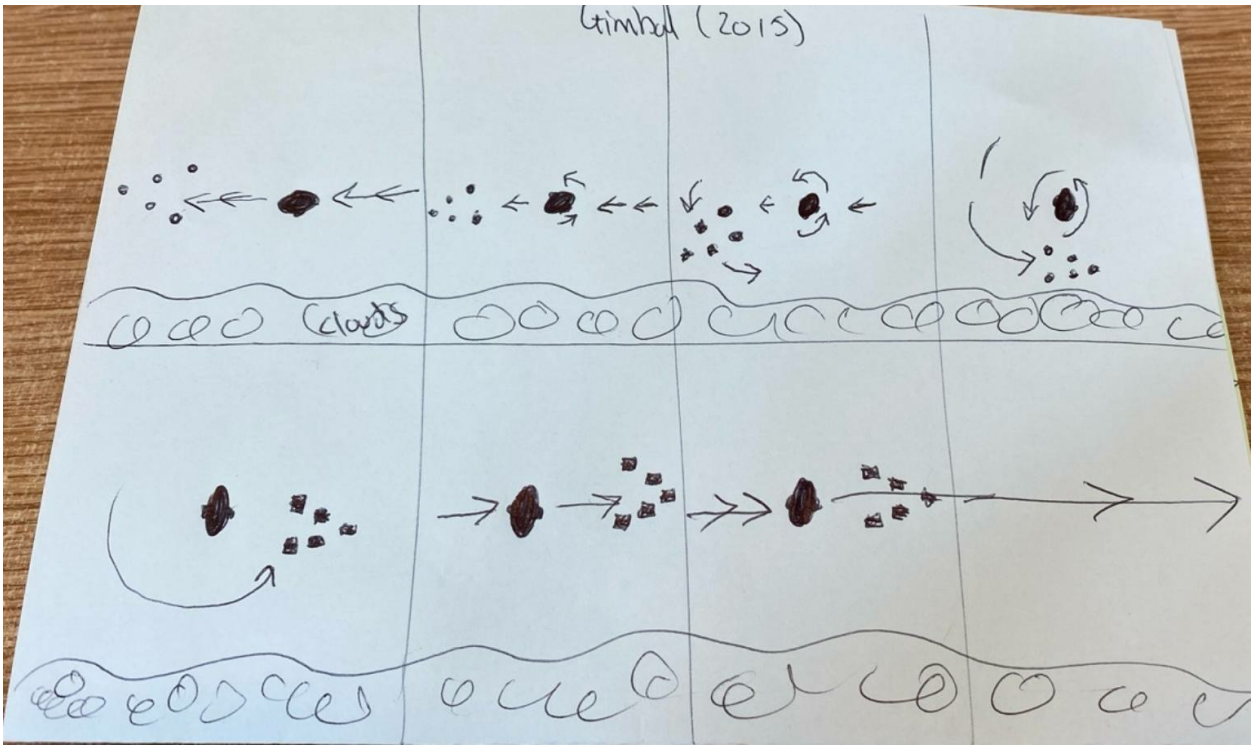
*6ft male

USS Russell Pyramid



1. Unknown size.
2. Unknown colour.
3. Unconfirmed shape.
4. Unverified information.

*6ft male



The ‘GIMBAL diagram’ drawn in 2022 and confirmed by Navy Pilot Ryan Graves. The rotation of the GIMBAL object (Flying Disc/Spinning Top) is in conjunction with 5 ‘Cubes within Spheres’. The movement of the 'Flying Disc' shows the object is followed by 5 'Cubes with Spheres' slowing before stopping, then rotating prior to exiting the scene at high speed.

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The redacted classified UAP report was released in early 2022 by the Blackvault. The description of the UAP shapes are blacked out which means they are classified.

(U) **Figure 1**

(U) **Unidentified Aerial Phenomena** 1.4(a)

S.C. § 3024(i) Observers frequently described unidentified aerial phenomena as 1.4(a) though 1.4(a) such as a 1.4(a) 1.4(a) shaped objects.

(U) **COMMON SHAPES**

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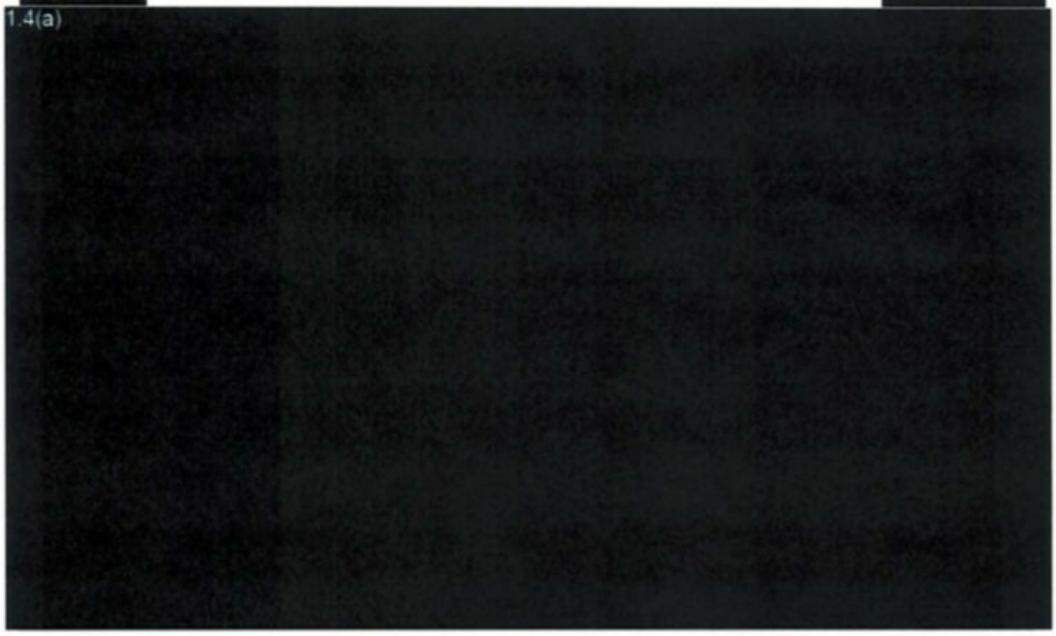

(U) **LESS COMMON/IRREGULAR SHAPES**

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Appendix C: The UAPMediaUK team

The UAPMediaUK team: Dan, Dave, Andy, Vinnie, Graeme and Adam

Created in 2020, the UAPMediaUK team (who released the original Calvine photo) was the first Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) themed initiative to branch away from UFO and Ufological terminology. The team was working behind the scenes for both the U.S. and U.K. disclosure campaign divisions. Whilst we cannot speak to exactly what strategy was

taken, we can divulge that the team was instrumental at bridging the gap between various contacts. UAP information was seen as a raw, un-mined commodity, a precious mineral that needed to be forged into something extremely valuable. This is what UAPMediaUK did, they reframed the UFO issue into something genuinely valuable to the mainstream world.

"If it hadn't been for the global pandemic lockdown the following things would not have happened: I would never have relaunched Shadows Of Your Mind magazine; I would never have re-joined Twitter and met my fellow friends and colleagues in UAPMediaUK. The first was out of sheer boredom, the second was a gravitation towards some of the best analysts and commentators on the UAP subject. I rediscovered a kinship in beliefs and motivation in the pursuit of the solution to the mystery of anomalous objects in our skies and things started making sense. Sort of. The frustration of seeing media headlines dealing with 'SAS ET hunters' or bloggers claiming shadows of giant 'aliens' in Antarctica and faces in rocks on Mars, galvanised a common desire to put things right. In joining UAPMediaUK and working with this book's incredible author, Adam Goldsack, we have pushed for the evolution and education in the reporting on the UAP subject and reducing the stigma within the British public. Whether consciously or subconsciously, we believe we have had an impact and alongside our peers and friends at home, in Europe and in the United States we will continue to bring verifiable information before journalists and the public alike."

- David Partridge, UAPMediaUK

"For over 75 years, since the modern era of the UFO subject began, it has been plagued with stigma, taboo and an abundance of conspiracy theories, keeping it on the fringes of popular culture. Fast forward to December 2017. With the acknowledgment and revelation that the US government had been studying the subject in secret since 2007-2008 in a front-page story in the New York Times and the formation of To The Stars Academy of Arts & Science, suddenly the conversation felt like it had jumped from the fringes right into the mainstream overnight. In the past five years that shift has continued to grow and spread, with people now able to discuss the subject openly with family, friends and colleagues without fear of laughter and ridicule. Mainstream science and academia are now actively involved in the subject of UAP and we're also seeing more and more politicians from multiple countries discussing this subject and asking the big

questions, the culmination being that in the National Defense Authorization Act 2022 a law was *introduced that included the study of UAP by a dedicated office within the Office of the Under Secretary for Defense for Intelligence and Security. We can also see how this paradigm shift has changed the UFO community too, with more and more people joining the conversation on social media, especially on #ufotwitter. We've also seen a large increase of podcasts appear that cover the subject of UFOs/UAP, especially during the lockdowns we faced during the Covid-19 pandemic. It goes to show that the public want to know the truth and understand what it is that's being seen frequently in our skies all around the world. It is time for those in the know to be upfront and truthful. The door is wide open and cannot be shut again. The public can handle the truth.'*

- Vinnie Adams, UAPMediaUK

'The UAP initiative between 2017 and 2022 seems to have been a tale of two halves. On one side, there's almost a grass roots movement of activists, researchers and military witnesses, together with potential whistle-blowers who are only prevented from doing so by Non-Disclosure Agreements. On the other, there are unknown faces pulling strings to hide inconvenient facts, official spokespersons who many regard as untrustworthy and so-called "experts" who testified before Congress but who were shown up to be anything but. The "truth" is a river that runs between the two camps. Each claims it, but they can't quite divert it enough so than it runs through their side. The latter side want to maintain the status quo, one of secrecy and subterfuge. Even with all the tools at their disposal, they aren't capable of hiding everything, and pieces of information become public knowledge. Those advocating for UAP transparency are hamstrung because they lack an understanding of the overall picture. They receive small pieces of a bigger puzzle, but those fragments don't necessarily show what the picture actually looks like. Frustration is no doubt rife on both sides, but those advocating for transparency are making headway. It remains to be seen what blocks are put in the way of progress by those wanting to stop them.'

- Graeme Rendall, UAPMediaUK

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Appendix D: Final Acknowledgments

I would like to acknowledge UAPMediaUK (Dave, Dan, Andy, Graeme, Vinnie) for their incredible efforts both behind the scenes and openly. They became active in 2020 and were deeply involved in this initiative on various levels of engagement. UAPMediaUK weren't paid, they weren't on some government payroll, and they had no insidious agenda, but *yes*, I can confirm that they were involved - in a small part. The American more influentially connected version of UAPMediaUK was SkyFort. Our U.S. brothers consisted of Jake, Luis, Jessie and the 'Mystic Lion' himself, Sean Cahill, all of whom we can never thank enough for their efforts, support and guidance. Whilst the full extent of what was done and by whom can never be known (for various strategic reasons), we can look back and reflect upon what we can say openly about the heroic acts of those who changed the paradigm regarding Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP).

And there are many to acknowledge.

Navy Pilots and military personnel

Without these heroes the UAP initiative wouldn't have even happened. Navy pilots David Fravor, Alex Dietrich, James Slaight (USS Nimitz), Danny Accoin and Ryan Graves (USS Roosevelt) are patriots who protected the United States in battle and who would go in to change the world. Equally, we should acknowledge those aboard the Nimitz strike group in 2004 such as Petty Officer Sean Cahill, Radar Operators Kevin Day and Gary Voorhis for coming forward.

Pro-UAP Intelligence Community

Although officially a private citizen, former Director of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP), Luis Elizondo should, and will, be remembered as the hero who changed the world, his courage and integrity to do the right in the face of threats, persecution and conspiracy lies was astounding. Closely matched in this initiative was the former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence in the Clinton and George W.

Bush administrations – Christopher Mellon – who had strong links to Congress and to the oversight committees. Mr. Mellon helped draft UAP legislation, or at least, so we understand it without him UAP wouldn't have broken into the mainstream. Then there are the unspoken countless Intelligence Community individuals who worked tirelessly behind the scenes, occasionally acting to ensure the truth was known. Special thank you to our friend 'Richard Derriere'.

There were a few anonymous individuals who reached out to myself and others in 2020 to give us advice on how to build a UAP platform that engaged the mainstream. Some of these individuals were instrumental in orchestrating data for journalists such as Tim McMillan, providing evidence that Elizondo was who he said he was and providing data on what the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP), and AATIP really were in nature. Additionally, the UAP video leaks provided to Mellon in 2017 and those made to Knapp and Corbel in 2021 came from anonymous sources – unverified and shadowy – but proved to be genuine. Without the influence of whoever these mysterious people were, we might not be where we are today.

Pro-UAP Scientists

UAP advocate Dr. Hal Puthoff has long been a known contractor scientist working within the Advanced Aerospace Weapons System Application Program (AAWSAP) + AATIP, who had spent years working with the enthusiastic straight talking scientist Dr. Eric Davis. Then going back to AAWAP, National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS) and the Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS) efforts we have an assortment of credible scientists such as Dr. Kit Green, Dr. Colm Kelleher, Dr. Jacques Vallee and Dr. Garry Nolan are but a few serious academics who have strongly been associated with the UAP initiative. And finally, Dr. James Lacatski who headed AAWSAP deserves credit for coming forward in 2021 and for his work to create the UAP program.

Pro-UAP Congressional Representatives

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UAP initiative, demanding the Department of Defense (DoD) to be held accountable to Congress. On Capitol Hill, it was Martin Heinrich, Amy Klobuchar, Jeanne Shaheen, Mitt Romney, Mark Walker, Mark Kelly, Michael Bennet, Ruben Gallego have all openly spoken about UAP and the importance of transparency. However, it was Senator Kristen Gillibrand in November 2021 who really pushed for a UAP proposal to be included within the National Defense Authorisation Act (NDAA) for fiscal year 2022. However, it was the late Senator Harry Reid who created AAWSAP/AATIP and came to the aid of Luis Elizondo after he was attacked by some with DoD, who takes the credit for building the foundation of the UAP Revolution. The late Senators Ted Stevens and Daniel K. Inouye also deserve acknowledgement for their role in sponsoring AAWSAP/AATIP. Additionally, the late Senator John McCain deserves credit for his role in late 2017/early 2018 for requested all AATIP documents be sent to Congress. Thanks goes to Congressional representatives Adam Schiff, André Carson, Mike Gallagher, Tim Burchett, Ami Bera, Ruben Gallego, Sean Patrick Maloney, Raja Krishnamoorthi.

Pro-UAP media people and Journalists

Although mainstream journalists aren't specifically tasked with taking a side in efforts to cover certain topics, there have been those who have acknowledged the seriousness of the anomalous phenomena. In the United States mainstream media, it was right wing Fox News Anchor Tucker Carlson who spoke openly and freely about the seriousness of UAP from 2018 onwards. NBC news correspondent Gadi Schwartz made big efforts within the left-wing media. The Debrief and Tim McMillan were instrumental in revealing the truth about Transmedium vehicles, Elizondo, AATIP and AAWSAP. Without Tim, Pentagon spokesperson Susan Gough's contradicted UAP misinformation would have gone unchallenged. Bryan Bender has been involved since 2017 for POLITICO and was influential in producing information on the Congressional initiative. Equally, Leslie Kean, Ralph Blumenthal and Helena Cooper produced The New York Times article on AATIP which started the UAP Revolution in 2017. George Knapp and his friendship with Harry Reid and Robert Bigelow forced the issue in 2018, releasing documents and UAP information into the public. Similarly, we wish to thank our Ninja-Viking friend Jeremy Corbel who broke the 2019 UAP

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In his early academic career, Adam gained a diploma in health and social care, a graduate diploma in Psychology, a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with Criminology and then finally a Master of Science degree in Health Psychology. Using his qualifications, Adam then worked across the Tees Valley and North Yorkshire as a clinical assistant within neurological rehabilitation from early 2014, and in 2020 would work on a Covid ward during lockdown. In 2021 Adam would start his degree in Occupational Therapy as part of his working role.

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Adam would later go on to become one of the first ever 'UAP Activists' and is credited with creating the social media campaigns (UFOTwitter, EndUAPSecrecy and Outreach Program) which all have engaged the

American and British governments to declassify and release unclassified data relating to UAP technology under the organisation UAPMedia. It was in these years that Adam found his flair for writing, finding an interest in science fiction, horror and UFOs.

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